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❖ **MCKINLEYVILLE AIRPORT**

# Mck eyed for giant solar farm

**Jack Durham**  
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**MCKINLEYVILLE** – A giant solar array that could produce enough electricity to power roughly 1,000 households may be installed at the California Redwood Coast Humboldt County Airport in McKinleyville.

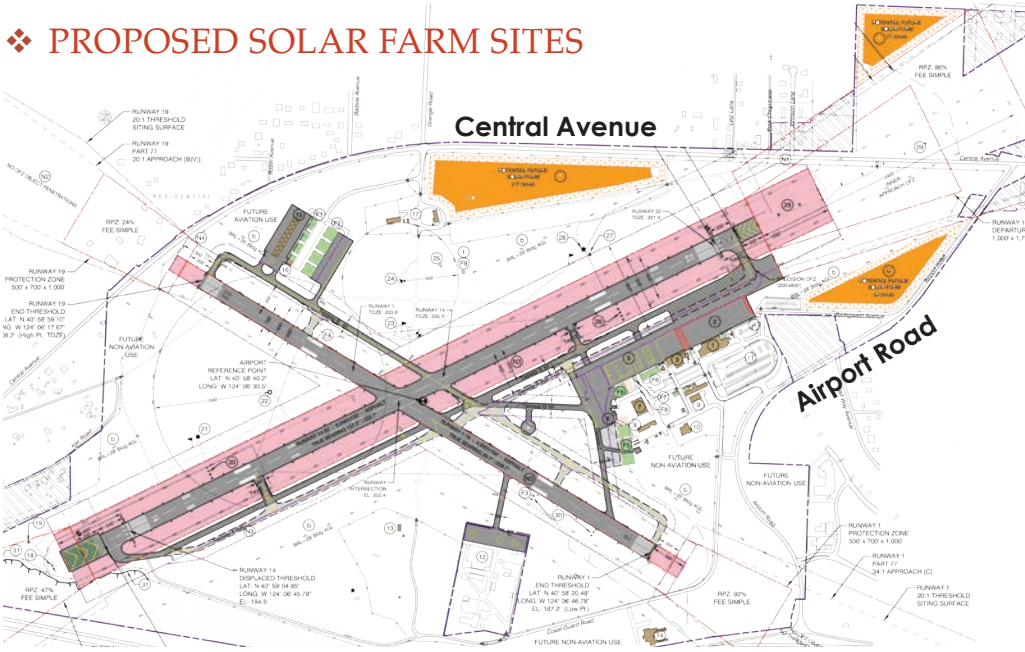
The Redwood Coast Energy Authority is working with the county's Aviation Division to study the feasibility of building the utility-grade solar power system at the county's main airport.

Matthew Marshall, executive director of the energy authority, emphasized that the project is in the "extremely preliminary stages."

The solar panels would be installed on metal racks and would cover two different fields totaling about 26 acres. Marshall said the seven megawatt system, which

**SOLAR** ❖ **A6**

❖ **PROPOSED SOLAR FARM SITES**



**SUNSHINE POWER** This modified map from a draft Airport Layout Plan shows the three proposed solar farm sites in orange at the county's main airport in McKinleyville. Some members of the McKinleyville Municipal Advisory Committee suggested that the property along Central Avenue be preserved for industrial uses and that the solar farms be placed on the other two sites.

# Apartments get OK'd by PlanCo

Outdoor seating coming to Wildberries, Aldergrove

**Jessie Faulkner**  
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**ARCATA** – After considerable discussion of traffic impacts – current and future – and a request for more trees, the Arcata Planning Commission voted unanimously last week to approve the 142-unit Sunset Terrace, an apartment complex planned for the mostly undeveloped area between Foster and Sunset avenues in Arcata.

The commission also approved a design review permit for a mobile retail food court at the Foodworks Culinary Center in Aldergrove Industrial Park and an eastside outdoor patio at Wildberries Marketplace. Both were adopted as part of the

**APARTMENTS** ❖ **A3**

❖ **MCKINLEYVILLE**

# Director resigns, seats up for grabs on Mck committee

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**MCKINLEYVILLE** – The unincorporated community of McKinleyville is undergoing a change in leadership, although the extent of that change remains to be seen.

The first shakeup comes from the resignation of Helen Edwards from the McKinleyville Community Services District Board of Directors, which is the closest thing the town has to a city council.

The other shakeup may happen in August, when the terms of a majority of appointments to the McKinleyville Municipal Advisory Committee expire. The extent to which the committee's leadership will change will depend on how many members reapply for their seats and whether they are reappointed or replaced by other McKinleyville residents interested in serving on the influential advisory committee.

## Edwards' resignation

Edwards sent a short email to District Manager Greg Orsini June 22 that states, "It is with regret that I submit my resignation to the board. I have enjoyed serving my community and working with all of you. Medical issues require that we relocate to Arizona. Thank you for the opportunity to serve."

Edwards, first elected in 2007, was the board's vice president and its representative on the county's McKinleyville Municipal Advisory Committee.

The district board is scheduled to consider how to fill the vacant seat at its meeting today, July 6, beginning at 7 p.m. at Azalea Hall, 1620 Pickett Rd. in McKinleyville.

The board has the option of having an election in November, or it can wait until March to fill the seat.

**MCKINLEYVILLE** ❖ **A2**



**FUN FOURTH!** Arcata's Fourth of July Jubilee started with a parade, upper left, a bubbly extravaganza aided by the efforts of a Humboldt Roller Derby player, above. The Humboldt Crabs' Jason Alexander, Aaron Herr, Austin Ragsdale and Ryan Smith, left, took in the action before heading off to the ball park.

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# Grand Jury: Vaccination rate too low

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**MAD RIVER UNION**

**HUMBOLDT** – Humboldt County's Grand Jury has called attention to the county having the fifth-lowest vaccination rate in the state and one of the highest personal belief exemption rates.

And at its June 28 meeting, the county's Board of Supervisors seconded the Grand Jury's findings.

Supervisors considered the first of a series of Grand Jury reports that

focuses on Humboldt's ranking 54th out of 58 state counties for vaccinations of kindergarteners and seventh-graders in schools.


In its report, the Grand Jury found that "there is a risk of a contagious disease outbreak due to the percentage of children who are not currently vaccinated in Humboldt County." Whooping cough is a particular concern, as Humboldt has the second-highest rate of the disease in the state, according to the report.

The county has an 82 percent vaccination rate, while the state average is 92.9 percent.

The county's Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) disagreed with the Grand Jury's recommendation to develop a plan that "addresses lack of transportation as a barrier to receiving mandated vaccinations."

Supervisor Ryan Sundberg supported the DHHS's responses to the

**VACCINATIONS** ❖ **A2**

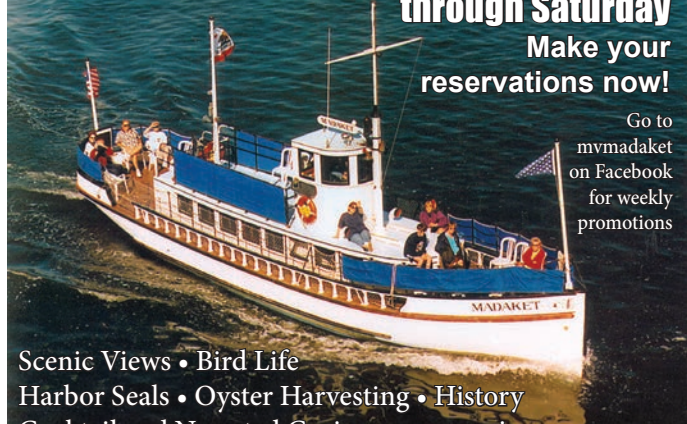


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# It’s ‘bone-sigh’ not ‘banzai!’



**P**am Van Fleet is a familiar presence at the farmers’ market. She’s been bringing her bonsai and other plants there for 12 years. The bonsai (pronounced “bone-sigh” she told me) are a classic form of horticulture, one that makes a visual poem of a tree. It’s a Japanese tradition that’s been around for more than a thousand years and it’s both a challenge and a joy for those who practice it. Van Fleet brings the small trees in their pots to the market already formed into beautiful shapes so that beginners can enjoy tending their continued growth. But Van Fleet’s bonsai must live outside. “I lose a lot of sales,” she said, but she sticks to the rule. She’s a professional gardener and got started with bonsai because one of her clients “got bored with bonsai and gave me all her plants and pots.” Van Fleet got started at the smaller farmers’ markets in Old Town and McKinleyville. Now she’s a regular at the big Arcata market too. Her wealth of knowledge is apparent as she breaks off the interview to help a man identify what he thinks is an aloe in a pot he’s brought. Van Fleet confirms his identification and then patiently answers more questions. There’s no sale involved, but that’s how she is. She also has small pots of succulents for sale “so kids will have plants to buy.” The bonsai are fascinating to little kids but usually beyond their price range. Van Fleet’s signature style is her use of

aquarium rock as miniature mulch on the plants. “It protects the roots,” she said. But bonsai rules are traditional. A big rock is only allowed in the pot if the roots are over the rock or entwined on the rock. Van Fleet has a collection of over 35 books on the subject and she’s generous with her time in explaining bonsai to those who are interested. She even explained how to get a “starter” plant at a nursery for those who want to try their hand at the craft.



**OUTSIDE ONLY** Pam Van Fleet has a rule: Your bonsai must live outside.

JANINE VOLKMAR | UNION

Her sign says it all: “Bonsai – Sales & Rescue” Van Fleet rescues bonsai that have been neglected or abandoned. She also provides a year of backup help to bonsai purchasers, “if they want it.” Stop by her booth for a tranquillity fix in the middle of the market madness. You’ll be glad you did.

# Supes lower proposed pot tax

**Daniel Mintz**  
**MAD RIVER UNION**  
**HUMBOLDT** – Humboldt County’s Board of Supervisors has re-evaluated a proposed rate structure for a marijuana excise tax ballot measure, significantly cutting previously-agreed upon tax rates. Tax rates related to a proposed commercial marijuana excise tax measure for the November election were changed by supervisors at their June 28 meeting. A week before, supervisors considered a staff-recommended tiered system based on grow sizes. That system had starting rates of \$1 per square foot for a 2,500-square-foot outdoor grow, \$1.50 per square foot for a mixed light grow of up to 2,500 square feet and \$2 per square foot for an indoor grow up to 1,000 square feet. The staff-recommended rate schedule scaled up with grow size, topping out at \$6 per square foot for a 10,000-square-foot indoor grow. Supervisors agreed to cut those rates by 25 percent. But at the June 28 meeting, Supervisors Ryan Sundberg and Rex Bohn said they have heard from people involved in marijuana production who are concerned about being over-taxed. Sundberg proposed changing the basis of the tax rate, linking it to amounts produced rather than to grow areas. That sparked debate among supervisors. Supervisor Estelle Fennell warned against making significant changes as the deadline for approving a measure for the November ballot closes in. “At this point, we’ve gotten so much feedback that I think if we change the process now, we’ll get another bunch of feedback next week and we won’t even make it to the November ballot,” she said. During a public comment session, representatives of growers’ groups said they support being taxed, but want a system that more precisely reflects production output.

County Treasurer-Tax Collector John Bartholomew advised supervisors not to “backpedal” on the previously-agreed-upon system. After further debate, supervisors agreed to maintain grow sizes as a basis of taxation. Sundberg advanced a proposal that gained majority support – having a fixed rate structure charging \$1 per square foot for outdoor grows, \$2 per square foot for mixed light grows and \$3 per square foot for indoor grows. Board Chair Mark Lovelace disagreed with that, saying that other municipalities are pursuing marijuana tax rates much higher than Humboldt is proposing. “There are other ones that are proposing \$25 a square foot, \$35 a square foot,” he said. “And those are places that are trying to attract the industry.” Lovelace said the other municipalities are looking at higher tax rates as “something that is doable within the profit margins for this industry,” adding that he couldn’t support reducing the rates “to about half of what was originally proposed.” But Sundberg said Humboldt isn’t comparable to other areas because its marijuana industry is more entrenched and includes far more participants. “These other areas have so much less, they’re dealing with very, very limited amounts and their higher tax amounts are going to produce a lot less income than we have around here,” he continued. “We have around 10 times as much – if we can get half of what’s out there, we’re going to have way more money in the tax rolls than they could even come close to.” Supervisors voted in favor of Sundberg’s proposal, with Lovelace dissenting. A draft ordinance outlining the tax measure’s content and approving the tax proposal for the November ballot will be presented to supervisors on July 19.

## McKinleyville | Apply now for committee

**❖ FROM A1**  
The district provides municipal services including sewer, water, street lights, open space maintenance, some drainage, parks and recreation in McKinleyville. The district also owns and maintains the buildings that house the Sheriff’s McKinleyville Substation and the McKinleyville Library. **Advisory Committee** The terms of five of the eight members of the McKinleyville advisory committee are set to expire in the coming months. That’s more than a voting majority.

Although that committee doesn’t have any governing authority, it’s been influential, both locally and on a county level. The committee got the ball rolling on a sales tax to fund public safety, a recommendation that eventually morphed into Measure Z and was approved by the voters in 2014. On paper, the committee’s role is to advise the county Board of Supervisors on issues related to McKinleyville, although sometimes it tackles larger issues, like marijuana regulations and rent control. Out of the eight seats on the committee,

the Fifth District Supervisor Ryan Sundberg gets to appoint three, and the Board of Supervisors appoints three. Sundberg’s appointments include Barbara Georgianna and Otto van Emmerik, both of whose terms expire on Sept. 4. Sundberg also appointed Craig Tucker, but according to the county’s website, his term doesn’t expire until Oct. 14, 2018. Committee members appointed by the Board of Supervisors include Patrick Barsanti, Kevin Dreyer and Ben Shepherd, whose terms all expire on Aug. 21. Sundberg said that Barsanti has told him he doesn’t want to retain his seat. The other two committee appointments

come from the McKinleyville Committee Services District Board of Directors, which appoints one of its members to the committee. The district’s manager – Greg Orsini – serves in perpetuity. Edwards was the district’s appointee to the committee. Now that she has resigned, Director John Corbett takes her place. Sundberg said that anyone interested in serving on the advisory committee should email Clerk of the Board Kathy Hayes at [khayes@co.humboldt.ca.us](mailto:khayes@co.humboldt.ca.us), or call (707) 476-2396 and ask for an application. A deadline for applying has yet to be set, but Sundberg suggested doing that one be determined soon as possible.

## Vaccinations | Diseases preventable, but science ignored

**❖ FROM A1**  
report and highlighted the continued need to promote the benefits of vaccination. “It’s not necessarily transportation that’s the issue, it’s either education or just a values-based decision that parents make based on whatever they have come across,” he said. “Hopefully we can get more information out there so parents know that it is safe.”

The DHHS’s reply states that in surveys, transportation “was not identified as a major barrier to receiving vaccinations.” The agency did agree that “vaccination data oversight” should continue and that information on vaccinations should be made available to parents.

“When we’re ranking 54 out of 58 counties, we need to look at something, for sure.”  
– County Supervisor Rex Bohn

The Grand Jury report notes the work of the Humboldt Immunization Coalition, which was formed by the DHHS and is carrying out “a community-wide outreach program to improve vaccination rates for county school-aged children.” Board Chair Mark Lovelace said that it takes a lot of work to counter misinformation on vaccination. Despite an “overwhelming amount of science” supporting the value of vaccination, he said, “People will grasp onto some

anecdotal story that gets circulated on the web and use an unproven anecdote to support a position in opposition to all of the science that’s out there.” The Grand Jury report states that its probe into the county’s vaccination rate was motivated by the passage of SB 277, a bill that was signed into law in the spring of 2015 and removes the personal belief exemption as a basis for parents to refuse to vaccinate their children. Supervisor Rex Bohn highlighted the risks posed to other children when vaccinations are refused, saying that wariness of exposure to disease has impacted Humboldt First 5’s play groups. “Some of the play groups for First 5 are coming apart because some parents will not bring their kids to a play group if they can’t guarantee that everybody’s been immunized,” said Bohn. He added, “When we’re ranking 54 out of 58 counties, we need to look at something, for sure.” No one spoke during a public comment session. The report emphasizes the importance of implementing the new state law and credits the work of the Humboldt County Department of Public Health, the Humboldt County Office of Education and Humboldt County schools for “their diligence in initiating the implementation of SB 277.”

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GOVERNING BODY	NEXT MEETING	MEETING LOCATION	MORE INFORMATION
<b>Arcata City Council</b> Meets first & third Wednesday	today, July 6 at 6 p.m.	Council Chamber, Arcata City Hall 736 F St., Arcata	<a href="http://cityofarcata.org">cityofarcata.org</a>
<b>Blue Lake City Council</b> Meets second & fourth Tuesday	Tuesday, July 12 at 7 p.m.	Skinner Store Building behind City Hall	<a href="http://bluelake.ca.gov/city/council/agendas">bluelake.ca.gov/city/council/agendas</a>
<b>Humboldt Bay Harbor, Recreation &amp; Conservation District</b> Meets second & fourth Thursday	Thursday, July 14 at 7 p.m.	Woodley Island Marina Meeting Room	<a href="http://humboldt-bay.org/meetings-agendas-and-public-notice">humboldt-bay.org/meetings-agendas-and-public-notice</a>
<b>Humboldt Bay Municipal Water District (HBMWD)</b> Meets second Thursday	Thursday, July 14 at 9 a.m.	Boardroom, Humboldt Bay Municipal Water District, 828 Seventh St., Eureka	<a href="http://hbmwd.com/meeting-schedule">hbmwd.com/meeting-schedule</a>
<b>Humboldt County Board of Supervisors</b> Meets every Tuesday	Tuesday, July 12 at 9 a.m.	Board Chambers, Humboldt Co. Courthouse, 825 Fifth St., Eureka	<a href="http://humboldt.legistar.com/Calendar.aspx">humboldt.legistar.com/Calendar.aspx</a>
<b>Manila Community Services District (Manila CSD)</b> Meets third Thursday	Thursday, July 21 at 6:30 p.m.	Room I, Manila Community Center, 1611 Peninsula Dr., Manila	<a href="http://manilacsd.com/Agendas_Minutes_and_Forms.htm">manilacsd.com/Agendas_Minutes_and_Forms.htm</a>
<b>McKinleyville Community Services District (MCSD)</b> Meets first Wednesday	today, July 6 at 7 p.m.	Azalea Hall, 1620 Pickett Rd., McKinleyville	<a href="http://mckinleyvillecsd.com">mckinleyvillecsd.com</a>
<b>McKinleyville Municipal Advisory Committee (McKMAC)</b> Meets last Wednesday	Wednesday, July 27 at 6 p.m.	Azalea Hall, 1620 Pickett Rd., McKinleyville	<a href="http://humboldt.gov/238/McKinleyville-Municipal-Advisory-Committ">humboldt.gov/238/McKinleyville-Municipal-Advisory-Committ</a>
<b>Trinidad City Council</b> Meets second Wednesday	Wednesday, July 13 at 6 p.m.	Trinidad Town Hall, 409 Trinity St., Trinidad	<a href="http://trinidad.ca.gov/city-government/city-council.html">trinidad.ca.gov/city-government/city-council.html</a>



## Apartments | 142 units to be built off Sunset Ave.

✦ **FROM A1**

the consent calendar, a group of items ruled on by a single vote with no separate discussion.

In brief, seating for the industrial park’s food court – designed for use by employees of businesses in the park – will be located in the existing landscaped area on the southeast corner of the property, with the adjacent parking lot for the food vendors.

The Arcata Community Development Department has budgeted \$25,000 for purchasing an ADA-accessible table, two shade umbrellas and trash and recycling bins, as well as needed asphalt striping, according to the staff report. Other picnic tables already exist at the site

Over at Wildberries Marketplace, the approved design review permit allows a 200-square-foot outdoor patio area near the store’s east entrance, an area now used for the display of plant seedlings and accessories.

“The project includes the removal of existing chainlink fence, and the proposed development of landscape planters, a water feature and glass panels on [the] east elevation, a new entry gate, and decorative panels attached to the existing roof awning,” according to the staff report.

**Sunset Terrace**

The majority of last week’s Planning Commission meeting surrounded a public hearing on the Sunset Terrace project, the Kramer Properties Inc. development proposed for the south side of Sunset Avenue that will include 142 one-bedroom apartments on 3.56 acres. Built on a slope, only the second story will be visible from Sunset Avenue.

The development came before the Planning Commission at its May 24 meeting, but was continued to the June 21 meeting – a meeting canceled due to a lack of a quorum – and subsequently rescheduled for the June 28 meeting.

The continuations primarily resulted over the commissioners’ concern that the related traffic study was based on a 1.5 percent growth rate which, apparently, did not include “projected growth at Humboldt State University” and the short-, medium- and long-term impacts on traffic.

In a memorandum to the commission, Arcata City Engineer Doby Class wrote that the city’s current rate of growth is one percent per year. Because that projected rate does not include U.S. Highway 101, State Route 255 or Humboldt State, it was suggested that a growth rate of 1.5 percent be used for the Sunset Terrace traffic analysis.

Much of last week’s discussion comprised of how to remediate expected adverse traffic conditions at the intersections of L.K. Wood Boulevard and Sunset Avenue, Sunset Avenue and the U.S. Highway 101 southbound off-ramp, as well as at Foster Road and Alliance Avenue.

The settled-upon short-term solutions include adding a left-hand turn pocket from northbound L.K. Wood Boulevard at Sunset Avenue and re-striping the Foster Road and Alliance Avenue intersection. While the applicant has agreed to add the left-hand turn pocket, Community Development Director David Loya told the commission,

the final work will depend upon consultation with Humboldt State and Caltrans.

“Our traffic study gave us a number of options,” Loya said. “Before we start requiring people to build things on the ground, we want to make sure we have good coordination between us and HSU and us and Caltrans. Right now, there’s an impact at that intersection. This is all very preliminary.”

As to Foster Avenue and Alliance Road, the conditions of approval include striping at the intersection, and a crosswalk with speed hump “or other City Engineer-approved pedestrian facility across Foster Avenue to the Rail with Trail.”

Assistant City Engineer Netra Khatri also discussed the long-term status of the affected intersections, particularly L.K. Wood at Sunset; Sunset and U.S. Highway 101 southbound off-ramp and Foster and Alliance.

In the long-term – 20 years out – Khatri said the best traffic-calming solution may be a full-size roundabout at L.K. Wood Boulevard and Sunset Avenue and a smaller roundabout at Foster and Alliance.

Kurt Kramer of Kramer Properties also addressed the Arcata Planning Commission, pointing out the company’s other successful housing developments in the area and stating a commitment to meet the demand for student housing.

Only one nearby resident testified at last week’s public hearing on the proposed development, although others submitted letters raising concerns about the apartments’ impact on the character of the neighborhood, increased traffic, effects on property value, trash and illegal dumping and potential effects on the city’s police and water and sewer services.

Libby George, a Sunset Avenue resident who testified at last week’s meeting, focused on the expected impact on parking in the area, noting that her driveway is frequently blocked by motorists attempting to park along Sunset Avenue. She suggested that one solution would be to have fewer apartments and more parking spots. Part of the concern is that the development includes only one parking spot for each apartment, while it’s possible that more than one person will live in each unit and, hence, have more than one vehicle.

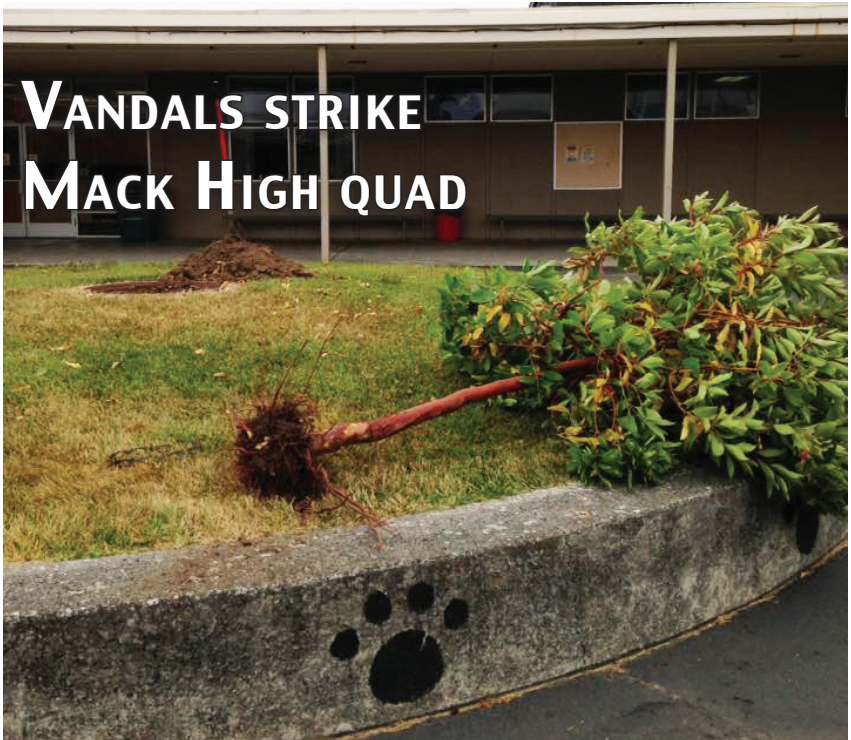
The commissioners also discussed revisions to the landscaping adjacent to Sunset Avenue. Commissioner Dan Tangney first suggested planting of trees no more than 15 feet apart on that frontage.

Kramer expressed concern that planting trees that close could mean the canopies would take over and ultimately would require taking out some of the mature trees.

Commissioner John Barstow then suggested that the conditions of approval require 20 percent more trees on the Sunset Avenue frontage.

Loya proposed, and the commission agreed to, the addition of 20 percent more trees, with the final approval by the community development director.

The commission then voted unanimously to approve the planned development and design review permits for the Sunset Terrace Multi-Family Project.



**WHY WOULD SOMEONE DO THIS?** Sometime late Thursday night or early Friday evening, vandals attacked the quad at McKinleyville High School, ripping out trees that were planted three years ago by the Panther Partners as part of a beautification project. Three maturing trees were ripped out of the ground, according to a posting on the McKinleyville Community Watch Facebook page. The good news is that the culprits were caught on camera.

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## Park fees may go up

**MAD RIVER UNION**

**HUMBOLDT** – The Humboldt County Board of Supervisors will consider increasing certain park fees later this month or in August.

Camping Fees at A.W. Way, Big Lagoon, Clam Beach, Samoa and Van Duzen parks are proposed to increase from \$20 to \$25. The day-use fee at A.W., which is now \$3, and Big Lagoon, which is now \$2, is proposed to be increased to \$5.

The day-use fee at Freshwater and Van Duzen parks would remain at \$5.

The cost for an annual park pass is proposed to increase from \$40 to \$45. Annual passes cover day-use fees and provide a \$5 discount on camping fees.

According to a press release from the county, annual passes are now issued on plastic cards rather than windshield stickers to improve convenience for pass holders.

Annual passes can be purchased at the Public Works office at 1106 Second St. in Eureka from 8 a.m. to noon and 1 to 5 p.m., or from staff at county parks.

The fee increases are intended to help avoid park closures as a result of budget shortfalls. The budget was impacted by increased insurance premiums that came as a result of a claim following a collision in which a county employee hit a bicyclist while driving. The bicyclist died as a result of the injuries.

“As a short-term measure to address the County Parks budget shortfalls, funds are being allocated from the county’s deferred maintenance trust for high-priority facility needs,” according to a press release from the county.

“In June 2016,” it continues, “a new well was installed at Big Lagoon Park to replace an older well that was no longer producing enough water to meet the needs of the campground and restrooms. The new well at Big Lagoon Park will end the annual occurrence of the water system going dry during the busy summer months. In addition, urgent repairs are planned for certain restrooms and the County Parks maintenance shop.”

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# PUBLIC SAFETY

## Male possessiveness ends in stabbing

**MAD RIVER UNION**  
EUREKA – A dispute over a woman led to a bicycle frame being tossed through a window, and then to a stabbing last week. The Eureka Police Department responded to a reported disturbance on Tuesday, June 28 at 9:32 p.m. on the 300 block of West Del Norte Street in Eureka. When officers arrived they found a victim bleeding from his forearm. The victim told police that he was in a dispute with Destry Girard, 43, of Eureka, over a woman. Girard allegedly threw the bicycle frame through the front window of the victim's apartment. The victim came out of the apartment to confront Girard, who then allegedly stabbed the man before taking off.



Destry Girard

The victim was transported to a hospital with non-life threatening injuries to his arm. A warrant has been issued for Girard's arrest on suspicion of assault with a deadly weapon and malicious mischief. Girard also has a warrant unrelated to the stabbing for resisting arrest.

## Orick bandit faces 10 years in prison

**OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY**

EUREKA – On July 1, a Humboldt County jury found Tays E. Salazar, 39, guilty of robbery. The charge resulted from an incident last Feb. 13, when Salazar, wearing a camouflage mask and a hoodie, entered the Orick Market and demanded money from the clerk.



Tays E. Salazar

Salazar kept his left hand in his pocket throughout the encounter, causing the store clerk to believe that Salazar may have had a gun. The clerk, in fear for his safety, gave Salazar the nightly deposits that totaled approximately \$1,400. Salazar also stole a pack of cigarettes.

Investigation by the Humboldt County Sheriff's Office in cooperation with the Yurok Tribal Police led to the arrest of

Salazar on Feb. 17, and he has been in custody since that time. Humboldt County Sheriff's Deputy Matthew Tomlin testified at trial, as did the victim of the robbery.

Deputy District Attorney Roger C. Rees prosecuted the case with assistance from District Attorney Investigator Gary Cooper. Deputy Public Defender Kelly Neel represented Salazar throughout the pretrial proceedings and trial. The Honorable John T. Feeney presided over the one week jury trial.

Sentencing in the matter is set for July 28 before Judge Feeney. Because of the court's finding that he has been previously convicted of a serious felony, Salazar faces a maximum sentence of 10 years in state prison.

## Missing New Zealander found dead

**MAD RIVER UNION**

McKINLEYVILLE – A visitor from New Zealand who was reported missing after he went for a jog the evening of Tuesday, June 28 was found dead the following morning in the area of Hiller Road and Ocean Drive in McKinleyville.

Lester Abbey, 63, was visiting his parents on Knox Cove Drive in McKinleyville. Abbey went for a jog on the beach at about 4:30 p.m. and did not return.

A relative told Sheriff's deputies that he believed Abbey was headed to the beach via the Hammond Trail to the Mad River area, and then planned to run back to the residence north along the beach.

According to a posting by a relative on the McKinleyville Community Watch Facebook page, Abbey planned to run along the beach,



Lester Abbey

then swim across the Mad River to get back to Knox Cove.

At 9:20 the morning of July 29, the Sheriff's Office received a report of a deceased person in the area of Hiller Road and Ocean Drive. A U.S. Coast Guard helicopter retrieved the body and brought it to the Mad River boat ramp. The deceased person was identified by the Humboldt County Sheriff Coroner's Division.

Abbey was the founder of Abbey Systems, a New Zealand company. According to the company website, he graduated from the University of Utah with a degree in mathematics and was an experienced cyclist and outdoor enthusiast. Abbey's family has been notified. An autopsy will be performed to determine the cause of death.

## Gun murder suspect detained

**MAD RIVER UNION**

EUREKA – A 20-year-old Eureka man was arrested on suspicion of murder last week after he allegedly gunned down a 19-year-old woman with a semi-automatic rifle near the intersection of Iowa Street and McCullens Avenue in Eureka.

Maxx Robison, 20, was booked into the Humboldt County Correction Facility early on the morning of Thursday, June 30. The victim was identified as Rhiana McKenzie, 19, of Eureka.

Eureka Police responded to the intersection on McCullens Avenue at 3:04 a.m. Thursday, June 30 after receiving a report of shots fired. The first officer to arrive noticed a vehicle with obvious gunshot damage traveling at a high rate of speed.

The officer tried to pull over the vehicle, but the driver failed to yield. A pursuit ensued at speeds of 70 to 80 mph. The chase ended with the vehicle pulled into the parking lot of St. Joseph Hospital.

Officers learned that a female gunshot victim was in the car. She was rushed into the emergency room, where lifesaving efforts were initiated. McKenzie eventually succumbed to her injuries.

The man who drove her to the hospital was detained.

According to Eureka Police, he was cooperative and told officers that the shooting had taken place on the 1500 block of McCullens Avenue. Officers secured the shooting scene and an



Maxx Robison

investigation was undertaken.

Eureka Police then received a seemingly unrelated call for service and responded to an undisclosed location. Officers

took Robison into custody on charges unrelated to the shooting.

Later, investigators found enough probable cause to link Robison to the shooting, and he was arrested on suspicion of murder.

During the investigation, two firearms were located and seized – one a shotgun, the other a high-powered semi-automatic rifle. "The rifle is believed to be the weapon used in the homicide," according to a press release from Eureka Police.

## New scanner stops smuggling

**MAD RIVER UNION**

EUREKA – An inmate at the county jail was found allegedly trying to sneak drugs into the facility, thanks in part to a new body scanner.

On Friday, July 1 at about 6 a.m., 55-year-old Sheila Karen Sudbeck, aka Eacret, was being booked into the jail when a baggie fell out of what the Sheriff's Office described as her "intimate clothing."

Sudbeck then submitted to a full body x-ray scan, using the jail's new SOTER RS Through Body Scanner.

The scan revealed what appeared to be contraband hidden in an unnamed body cavity.

Sudbeck was directed to retrieve the



Sheila Karen Sudbeck

contraband, which was turned over to a correctional deputy, who tested and weighed the substance, which turned out to be 4.6 grams of methamphetamine.

Sudbeck, who was already being booked on a controlled substance warrant, was arrested on suspicion of possession of a controlled substance in jail. She is not eligible for bail.

The body scanner was purchased earlier this year to assist jail staff in identifying people attempting to smuggle contraband into the jail.

Arrestees often swallow balloons filled with narcotics so they can retrieve them later. The balloons pose a medical threat to the inmates because they can break, resulting in drug overdose.

## Modern technology outwits juvenile

**MAD RIVER UNION**

McKINLEYVILLE/EUREKA – A McKinleyville boy learned the hard way that phones have something called "caller ID" when he allegedly made a call last week threatening to bomb Planned Parenthood in Eureka.

At 9:15 p.m. Thursday, June 30, the Humboldt County Sheriff's Office re-

ceived a report from the Federal National Veterans Crisis Line that it had received a call from someone calling in a bomb threat to Planned Parenthood in Eureka.

A representative of the crisis line gave deputies the caller's phone number, which led to an address in McKinleyville. At that address, deputies

questioned a juvenile, who then pointed them to the Youth Services Bureau in Eureka. There, they found a 14-year-old boy who is suspected of making the phone call.

The juvenile was arrested on suspicion of making a false bomb threat and making a false report of an emergency. He was booked into Juvenile Hall.

## Aspiring pugilist engaged in idiocy

• **Sunday, June 19 7:39 p.m.**

Near Reasor Road and Central Avenue in McKinleyville, Matthew Lindquist was challenging people to fight him. The aspiring pugilist, however, couldn't find anyone interested in joining in his idiocy. A deputy showed up and found Lindquist to be agitated, uncooperative, staggering and boozy. Lindquist was arrested on suspicion of public intoxication and booked into the county jail.

**11:28 p.m.** A drunken Zachary Gelwicks in McKinleyville called 911 and made nonsensical statements, so deputies were dispatched to investigate. Gelwicks told the deputies that the mother of his child had



kicked him in the chest and hit him over the head with a bottle. But when deputies talked to the woman, they got a much different story. Gelwicks, it turned out, is having a tough time accepting that he and the woman are no longer a couple. They've broken up and the woman is seeing

someone else. When Gelwicks found text messages from another guy on her phone, he became irate and allegedly choked the woman with both hands. She fought back, kicking and scratching Gelwicks until he let go. Gelwicks was arrested on suspicion of inflicting corporal injury on a spouse or cohabitant and booked into the county jail

## Multiple maroon vehicles making mayhem

• **Tuesday, May 17 8:32 a.m.**

A truck full of RPS audio gear was stolen from a Seventh Street church during the night. The vehicle is a maroon pickup with a camper shell with a Santa Cruz sticker and a small ding under the passenger side mirror. **6:43 p.m.** At a G Street gas station, a man drinking from an open container was reported swinging sticks around in the lot. The incident would soon result in the man being shot by police.

**7:04 p.m.** On the Plaza, intoxicated persons drank with impunity, as all officers were busy responding to the shooting.

**9:37 p.m.** A man in a top hat and white shirt was reported to have pulled a knife on someone in the vicinity of Ninth and H streets.

**10:57 p.m.** A tall man in a red jacket defrauded a Tavern Row innkeeper in the amount of \$17.45, mayhap intentionally.

• **Wednesday, May 18 7:02 a.m.** A black cow took its morn-



ing constitutional in the environs of the Bayside Post Office.

**8:15 a.m.** On Evergreen Lane, a man found a fresh trail of blood with visible footprints outside his home.

**10:20 a.m.** A Beverly Drive neighbor grew tired of the "shed on wheels" that had been parked in the street for at least two weeks.

**3:05 p.m.** A maroon two-door Oldsmobile occupied by a fighting couple was seen repeatedly driving up onto the sidewalk at Spear and Alliance. A man with a large dog and a woman with auburn hair were somehow involved.

**3:05 p.m.** At the same time, a woman reported that her purse, containing the usual assortment of cell phone, ID, credit cards and \$200 cash was stolen by a trio in a maroon van, who then fled east-bound on Samoa.

**4:04 p.m.** Three men, at least one of whom was clad in overalls, fought in a notorious H Street alley, resulting in an arrest.

**5:44 p.m.** A black Specialized bike with lime green pedals was stolen from the bike rack at City Hall.

• **Thursday, May 19 1:51 p.m.** At the community center, a couple that habitually bathes in the men's room now prompted a call to police and the implementation of countermeasures.

**6:47 p.m.** A heavysset woman wearing a striped shirt engaged in a dispute over laundry at a Samoa Boulevard apartment complex.

**9:08 p.m.** A man and a woman defrauded an oft-defrauded innkeeper in the amount of \$30.78.

• **Thursday, May 26 12:01 a.m.** A reckless driver in a black Suburban reportedly rammed multiple vehicles at 9th and J streets.

**9:08 a.m.** Someone took the name of Sweet Home Realty a little too literally and set up camp.

**10:09 a.m.** A bearded bicyclist with a ballcap and backpack was bagged engaging in "hand to hand" drug transactions at Seventh and J streets.

**3:13 p.m.** Furniture abandoned in Northtown by college students

was relocated behind a former pizzeria, where persons unknown set up a cozy outdoor living room.

• **Friday, May 27 8:22 a.m.** Camping on the bike path at Ninth and L is strongly discouraged.

**10:55 a.m.** A West End construction company noted that a flourishing of graffiti coincided with the theft of radios worth \$1,000 from two unlocked vehicles.

**11:40 a.m.** Checks stolen from a Fresno business were reportedly cashed at local stores.

**3:10 p.m.** Four checks totaling some \$4,000 were fraudulently cashed at a local credit union.

**3:22 p.m.** You scream, I scream, she screams by the ice cream shop.

**4:42 p.m.** "Don't bother me, I'm eating" may be the motto of a Valley West fast foodery, but it was trumped by "You're under arrest" in the case of a patron who refused to leave.

**4:49 p.m.** A man in a red sweater made a fuss in a downtown credit union's lobby.

**5:50 p.m.** Just one hour later, a woman in a red sweatshirt raised a ruckus in a G Street bank, making mention of a gun, which got her arrested.

**7:21 p.m.** A creeper spouting racial slurs was plucked in the vicinity of a downtown community garden.

• **Saturday, May 28 2:38 a.m.** A man was reported shaking hands with the governor of love behind a Valley West motel, but had apparently completed his official business and gone on his way before his police escort arrived.

**10:34 a.m.** A corgi decamped from a car, causing consternation.

**11:49 a.m.** Officers were asked to look into people sitting on the roof of a downtown storehouse prior to the start of an artsy race. Oops, sorry.

**1:46 p.m.** A woman wearing lots of necklaces and shorts reportedly completed her ensemble by stealing a sweater from an Eighth Street consignment shop.

**5:19 p.m.** In front of a Plaza liquor store, a drunken man in a red sweatshirt made lewd comments to women.

• **Sunday, May 29 1:40 a.m.** A vehicle on fire at Spear and Alliance led to a DUI arrest.

**7:03 a.m.** What is the world coming to when a man can't enjoy a frosty beverage and argue with himself first thing in the morning?



# OPINION

## Help the homeless, don't criminalize them

Reaching out to help homeless get help, get jobs      Our senseless, broken system

Applying for a job is inherently anxiety-laden. Imagine how much harder it would be without an address or any recent job experience. Just getting to a business a few miles from downtown can mean a long walk.

Will you even get to speak to someone in charge, or will the receptionist dismiss you with a cold “we’re not accepting applications at this time”? It’s easy to see how discouraging the process can become. Having someone on your side could make all the difference.

For clients of the Betty Kwan Chinn Homeless Foundation, help includes use of a mailing address, access to clean clothes, and assistance developing resumes and obtaining photo IDs and other documents. Most importantly, Chinn has relationships in the community with employers who actually request applicants.

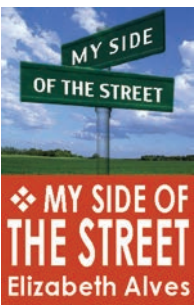
What a difference it must make for clients not to have to try to hide their homelessness – to know that the employer specifically wants to give someone like them a chance. They can relax a little and concentrate on making a good impression. That is one of the reasons the Greater Eureka Community Outreach Program has been able to help 18 formerly homeless people find full-time jobs in less than two months.

Chinn partnered with the Humboldt Coalition for Property Rights (HumCPR) to put together a temporary shelter housed in remodeled shipping containers on a donated site. Up to 40 clients can be provided with small rooms with doors that lock. Chinn understands what a huge measure of security the lock represents.

She also recognizes the clients need a little time to decompress. The ones who moved in from the Palco Marsh had been through a long and difficult process. They were given a bag of toiletries, clean clothes, access to showers and three meals a day.

When they were feeling more stable, the staff offered a variety of services. Obtaining documents is a crucial first step; without photo ID and proof of a Social Security number, many avenues are blocked. Such items have a way of disappearing when one is homeless.

The Express Employment Professionals agency supplies onsite help getting clients ready to apply for jobs and project a positive attitude in interviews. Confidence is harder to pass out than soap and deodorant, but relearning skills such as looking the interviewer in the eye and closing the session with a firm handshake and “thank you” helps. Many homeless people have become adept at escaping notice, but



that’s not a skill that helps them to get a job.

Not every client has been a success story. The recent status report to the community listed five people who left on their own, and two who were asked to leave because they violated the very minimal rules of the shelter. One man who left asked to return, and Chinn welcomed him back.

She says the clients aren’t doing it for her, but for themselves. Seven have found permanent housing, one is enrolling in College of the Redwoods and three have entered drug abuse counseling. The waiting list has 30 names.

There are 22 dogs in the shelter, and a dog trainer volunteers to help turn them into good canine citizens. Many homeless people can’t imagine life without their dogs, but landlords can be wary. A dog who demonstrates good manners is more welcome than a boisterous or defensive one.

Chinn’s critics carp that those 18 clients who have become employed could have done it on their own months or years ago, but I disagree. Whatever the reasons, they were trapped in a life of dysfunction and despair. Thanks to Chinn and HumCPR, they are taking back control of their lives.

Camping is fun when you have a home to return to, but it gets old in a hurry when you don’t. Most of the campers in the marsh didn’t have transportation. It’s at least a couple of miles to a coin-op laundry.

The closest grocery store isn’t the least expensive, but there are a number of places to buy less healthy snack foods. Stretching food money without safe storage or refrigeration isn’t easy. Camp stoves can be dangerous.

With no running water and no sanitation, the marsh was a health disaster waiting to erupt. Some of the people living there didn’t want to leave, but it’s hard to think they were having a good time. That’s what bothers critics the most – the conviction that homeless people are leading a happy-go-lucky life while the rest of us struggle.

At work, I meet a lot of people who live in the bushes, and none of them fit that description – at best, they are surviving. Every one of them was a baby once, and each was deserving of love. Chinn and HumCPR are to be commended for helping a segment of the homeless population get back on a path to secure independence.

*Elizabeth Alves wonders what people who criticize Chinn have done to help others. Comments and suggestions are welcome care of the Union or to mysidestreet@gmail.com.*

I am alarmed by the current system of dealing with the homeless who have mental health disabilities combined with drug problems.

There is a revolving door at the Humboldt County Jail, which constantly picks up the homeless with disabilities, jails them for a period of time and then releases them. It happens over and over again: citing these homeless folks with tickets and fines and penalties.

It is the criminalization of the homeless. It makes absolutely no sense at all.

I know this from my own personal situation with my son, who has throughout the years accumulated over \$50,000 of these tickets with fines and penalties. At one point, I told the collectors at Humboldt County that they could have sent him to the finest mental health system for a lot less money and saved the county these ongoing costs which only continue to accumulate.

You might ask yourself, “Where is the mental health system?” Duh! It is non-existent from what I can tell. I have been told that there are only 13 beds in the county to deal with this overwhelming problem.

Even when my son was temporarily evaluated by the county, they sent him out with a prescription when he had no transportation to pick up the prescription and no money to afford it. And even if he obtained the prescription, how do you think he could possibly get in the regular routine of taking the prescription?

I simply asked the mental health provider, “Why did you send out a psychotic patient back into the community?” No real answer.

Do not hold your breath for a permanent solution. While social advocates have great hearts, this problem is not likely to be solved soon. More studies will not solve this problem.

Politicians do not have the will. Government will not provide adequate resources. Law enforcement will continue to ticket and pick up these conspicuous homeless under the current enforcement guidelines. It’s a perpetual merry-go-round, the revolving door at the Humboldt County jail.

I fully support the Human Rights Commission in their efforts to designate areas where the homeless can live in a legal, safe, and healthy place.

However, I disagree with the strategy of Housing First, where permanent housing is provided before other services are provided to the homeless. If mental health services are not provided to the disabled homeless, how will they ever acquire housing?

I know that this is where the money is being appropriated on a federal level in their latest effort to deal with the homeless. The grim reality is that homeless camps are being closed, not only in Humboldt, but all around the nation, and the problem is not being addressed properly.

While I love the wonderful services that nonprofits provide to the homeless, the problem of poverty and homelessness is not improving.

*Winchell Dillenbeck is a McKinleyville resident.*



## Really, there’s so much to be thankful for, and so many people to thank



**NATURE TRAILER** A peek inside. SUBMITTED PHOTO

### Help for Nature Trailer

I’d like to personally thank Mike Alves and his staff, including Stewart Smith, of Alves Inc. for their help with the Nature Center trailer (a mobile classroom). They donated their labor when they installed beautiful commercial-grade vinyl flooring inside the Nature Center trailer to protect the plywood subfloor for many years of service.

The Nature Center was purchased by a nonprofit to be towed to schools and camps to offer multimedia static displays, interpretive exhibits and presentations by Philip Bairrington, all free of charge. The Nature Center trailer will officially debut June 18 at its first camp at West Coast Honor Camp near Viola, Calif., with a stop at Simpson University, in Redding.

The home base for the Nature Center trailer will be in McKinleyville, with a typical radius for most travel within an hour and a half travel time for local schools and other places like Camp Riggs Johnson, southeast of Eureka along Elk River.

The Nature Center will feature 20th and 21st century technology as it presents the wonders of nature, including a live underwater video camera when the trailer is located near a lake or stream, a live video camera above the tree tops from a drone, a digital microscope, a flatscreen monitor, dissecting microscopes, compound microscopes, preserved insects, aquariums, terrariums, taxidermied mammal mounts and pelts, and numerous temporary loaned exhibits.

The trailer is wheelchair accessible. The

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purpose of the Nature Center is to stimulate an appreciation and fascination of the great outdoors, the microcosm and the macrocosm, aquatic and terrestrial life, and our responsibility to be good stewards of our planet’s natural resources.

I have presented lectures free of charge in natural history, science and math for over 30 years in California, 17 years in McKinleyville, and recently in India.

Target audiences are third graders through high school for presentations with a lighthearted approach, easy-to-understand scientific concepts and a take-home message of responsibility and integrity.

**Philip Bairrington  
McKinleyville**

### Campaign appreciation

I would like to congratulate Mike Wilson in his election to the county Board of Supervisors. His efforts in securing endorsements and support was impressive.

I also appreciate the *Mad River Union* for its weekly “debate” and its forum in Manila that allowed each of us to express our views. Hopefully the *Union* will continue with this new tradition.

I learned a tremendous amount through the campaign and extend my deep felt gratitude to all those that helped with their support and assistance in understanding the many issues our county faces.

I wish Mike, his family and our county the best as he steps into his new role of responsibility.

**Thanks  
Uri Driscoll  
Arcata**

### It takes a seaside village

The 59th annual Trinidad Fish Festival was held June 19 on a perfect sunny day. I’d like to thank our major sponsors:

Cher-Ae Heights Casino, for the stage, casino parking, two shuttles and sponsorship money; Murphy’s Market and Nelson, for water and sodas, charcoal, use of their cooler, and favors too many to mention; Green Diamond Resource Company and Coast Central Credit Union, who donated a generous amount of money; and Umpqua Bank, who provided lots of volunteers. Other sponsors include Crystal Springs Water; Trinidad’s wineries – Moonstone Crossing, Winnett Vineyards and Bergeron Winery; Trinidad School, for use of their facilities and grounds; Trinidad Electric, Trinidad Trading Company, WindanSea, Pierson Building Center; and the California Conservation Corps’ vanload of young people, who filled many difficult positions.

All the volunteers kept their smiles and poise during long lines and kitchen snafus,

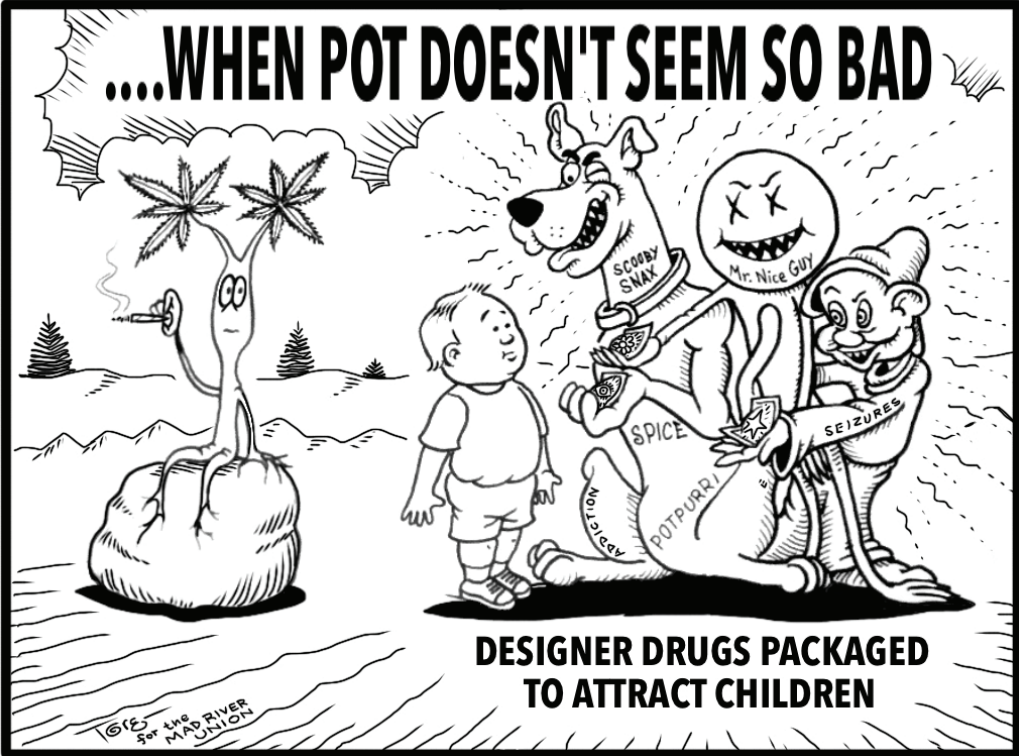
and worked quickly to keep up with feeding the crowd. Our outside food vendors sold out, adding great food choices and serving an extra 800 people.

The Starfish Boys, Lizzie & the Moonbeams, Blue Rhythm Revue and Doug Fir and the 2x4s entertained everyone, while Princess Caitlin as Ariel the Mermaid, Matthew Scott with his balloon art and Morris Graves Museum kept kids busy and happy.

A special thank you to Eric Anthony and Walter Palacios, volunteers who helped set up, prep food, cook, serve, run errands, clean up, and take everything back to storage. They worked tirelessly over three days and were invaluable.

Hope to see everyone for the 60th!

**Katherine Wayne**  
2016 **Trinidad** Fish Festival  
chairperson



News Item: Kids seeking a cheap high can’t buy marijuana at the store because it’s illegal, but they can buy dangerous designer drugs, that, unlike marijuana, can cause fatalities. The drugs are sold with cutesy names, marketed to kids and are legal to sell and buy.



Solar | Concerns about preserving industrial lands in McKinleyville

❖ **FROM A1**  
would cost about \$15 million, would generate enough electricity to power roughly 1,000 households.  
One of the big unknowns at this time, Marshall said, is whether it would be financially feasible to build a substation nearby to connect to Pacific Gas & Electric lines. The energy authority plans to complete the feasibility study some time this summer.

If the substation turns out to be a deal breaker, then the airport could still consider a smaller array designed to meet its own electrical needs.  
If the larger project turns out to be feasible, construction could take place next year, assuming the project is permitted and is approved by the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA).

The electricity generated from the solar array would be used to offset the airport’s power cost, which is about \$150,000 a year, according to Emily Jacobs, program coordinator for the county’s Aviation Division. The excess electricity would be sold to the energy authority’s Community Choice Aggregation project, which will eventually give local residents the option of buying power from the energy authority. Billing would continue through Pacific Gas & Electric, which owns the transmission system.

Financial projections for the project, including how much revenue it might generate and how it would be financed, have yet to be completed.

While those details are being hammered out, Jacobs is in the process of amending the Airport Layout Plan to allow for the solar panels and other improvements at the airport. Jacobs came before the McKinleyville Municipal Advisory Committee June 29 to discuss these

changes and to get input.  
The Airport Layout Plan is a document that the county updates every five years and that must be approved by the Board of Supervisors and, ultimately, by the Federal Aviation Administration. It consists of a map that shows proposed uses at the airport. If a proposed use is not designated on the plan, it can’t be built, Jacobs said.  
The draft update of the plan includes three different locations for the solar panels – a 17-acre site located behind the fence west of Central Avenue between Grange Road and just north of Letz Lane, a nine-acre site north of Airport Road and east of Badsgaard Avenue, and a seven-acre site where the airport maintains lights and other aviation equipment northeast of the intersection of Central Avenue and Norton Road. This last site was recently added to the plan and has yet to be included in the energy authority’s preliminary designs.  
Members of the McKinleyville advisory committee voiced support for the solar project and the changes to the Airport Layout Plan.

However, some members of the committee said they wanted to preserve as much industrial land as possible and would prefer if the solar panels were located somewhere other than the 17-acre site along Central Avenue.  
“I’ll be on record feeling that it’s nice to preserve that industrial opportunity there next to Central Avenue,” committee chair Ben Shepherd said at the meeting.  
Committee member John Corbett agreed. He said he recently compared commercial and industrial capacity in McKinleyville to Arcata and was “shocked” to learn how much more Arcata has.  
“Arcata hit it out of the park,” Jacobs responded, noting that Arcata set aside the industrial lands two to three decades

ago.  
“They had to put the investment in and they had to sit on it for years and years and years,” Jacobs said. “But now it’s really paying off for them, so it’s definitely some really well thought-out long-term planning.”  
Although the committee would like to have the Central Avenue property saved for industrial uses, members were told later in the meeting that the site’s uses are limited. Jacobs said that the security fence cannot be moved, so whatever businesses that would use the site would have to be aviation related. There are also height restrictions for any proposed buildings.  
Jacobs said the airport is also pursuing other projects. She said the airport is investigating the possibility of building an air freight warehouse, which would double as a disaster shelter.  
Having a freight facility could attract more aircraft to the airport, she said. And in a major disaster, the airport is an ideal location for a shelter because it has emergency communications equipment, a backup generator, fuel reserves and the U.S. Coast Guard station.  
Another project the airport will be pursuing in the coming year or two is the removal of some trees northeast of the crosswind runway.  
The Federal Aviation Administration has rules regarding the height of objects beyond the ends of the runways, even when the trees are on private property.  
The airport, Jacobs explained, has the authority to require the landowners to remove the trees, but “we would never want to be that kind of neighbor.”  
Instead, the airport will contact the landowners and give them different options, she said. The landowners can remove the trees themselves, or the airport



**AIRPORT CHANGES** Emily Jacobs explains changes to the Airport Layout Plan last week in McKinleyville.  
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will pay someone to do it. The logs can then be chipped, split and stacked on site, or taken to the Sheriff’s Work Alternative Program to be distributed as firewood for low-income seniors.  
Jacobs noted that the Fed’s equipment for measuring obstacles is very sensitive and can pick up very small things.  
Awhile ago, the FAA informed Jacobs that its equipment had discovered a large item near the airport’s main approach. Jacobs grabbed a GPS device, went out to investigate, then returned to her office.  
“I came running back upstairs and I got on the phone with the FAA and I said ‘It’s just a bunch of naked ladies in the field. What’s the problem?’” The pink belladonna lilies, common to the area, had bloomed near the runway.

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5 p.m. Jr. Steer Riding	1 p.m. Kids' Games
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**PRETTY PIE** Rose Andersen, Jo Kuzelka and Megan Johnson contemplate the delightful confection in *Five Lesbians Eating a Quiche*. PHOTO BY EVAN WISH PHOTOGRAPHY

## Laugh with 'Lesbians'

REDWOOD CURTAIN THEATRE

EUREKA – It's 1956 and the Susan B. Anthony Society for the Sisters of Gertrude Stein is having its annual quiche breakfast. Will they be able to keep their cool when Communists threaten their idyllic town?

Find out at *Five Lesbians Eating a Quiche* by Evan Linder and Andrew Hobgood, the hilariously absurd, campy comedy that won the 2012 NYC International Fringe Festival. The play opens at Redwood Curtain Theatre, 220 First St. in Eureka, on Thursday, July 7.

"This one was laugh-out-loud hilarious when we read it," laughed Redwood Curtain Artistic Director Clint Rebik. "It's so absurd and wickedly funny, we just had to do it."

"I think audiences will really laugh and enjoy the ride!" added Executive Director Peggy Metzger.

Shea King directs this fast-paced comedy, and the five fabulous actresses playing the quiche-eating lesbians are Rose Andersen, Megan Johnson, Jo Kuzelka, Jennifer Trustem and Natasha White. Hanah Toyoda designed the scenic elements and Jared Sorenson designed lighting and sound. Bethany Lamoreaux provided costume design, and Tyler Elwell stage manages.

*Five Lesbians Eating a Quiche* previews on Thursday and Friday, July 7 and 8, with \$10 tickets. Opening night with gala reception is Saturday, July 9, with tickets at \$20. Performances continue Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights through July 30; all evening performances begin promptly at 8 p.m. There is one 2 p.m. matinee on Sunday, July 24. Regular ticket price is \$15. On Cheap Date Thursdays, July 14, 21 and 28, get two tickets for \$20.

As the theatre is intimate, with only 80 seats, reservations are highly recommended, and there is no late seating. Tickets can be reserved or purchased securely online at [redwoodcurtain.com](http://redwoodcurtain.com). You may also reserve tickets by emailing [boxoffice@redwoodcurtain.com](mailto:boxoffice@redwoodcurtain.com) or calling (707) 443-7688.



**THE MISCREANTS** Trevor Dunn, Scott Amendola and Ben Goldberg perform at the Arcata Playhouse tonight. SUBMITTED PHOTO

Janine Volkmar

MAD RIVER UNION

ARCATA – The Miscreants have been playing music together, by their own description, "since before the term 'email,' which actually now seems ancient."

And they play what they call "jazz" sometimes, and "improvising" other times. "Jazz is part of what we do," Scott Amendola said, "but improvising is also how we play together: pushing against each other to cause some excitement, uncertainty, or chaos, in a positive way."

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Amendola is the trio's drummer. The other members of The Miscreants are Ben Goldberg on clarinet and Trevor Dunn, who plays acoustic bass. Dunn is the token local, having grown up in Eureka.

Their music will vary from originals to songs by Thelonious Monk, Bud Powell, Ornette Coleman, Black Sabbath, The Beach Boys and more.

"Sometimes there's an element of just let it go," Amendola said.

Amendola has performed at the

Playhouse several times and "loves it." He studied at the Berklee College of Music and lives in the Bay Area. He's composed a symphony called "Fade to Orange" which features Dunn and guitarist Nels Cline, with whom he's played music since the mid '90s.

Dunn started out as a clarinetist until he realized there was no clarinet player in Kiss. He switched to the bass guitar which eventually led to the standup bass. He leads various bands from the effervescent Trio Convulsant to the angular pop/rock of Madlove.

Goldberg is from Denver and "never liked Kiss, so out of the gate he jetted towards the clarinet," according to the group's press release. He formed the adventurous New Klezmer Trio in the '90s and has worked with John Zorn, Bill Frisell, Nels Cline and others.

Catch them miscreating tonight at the Arcata Playhouse.

### THE MISCREANTS

- ❖ **When:** today, July 6 at 8 p.m.
- ❖ **Where:** Arcata Playhouse, 1251 Ninth St., Arcata
- ❖ **Tickets:** \$15 at the door and through [brownpapertickets.com](http://brownpapertickets.com) (707) 826-2739, [humbrews.com](http://humbrews.com)

## Bob's back: Expect gut-rumbling music with a beat

That's right, The Hum is back. I'm a *Union* man again, basically humming the same old song – offering my view of Humboldt culture. I'm not going to rehash the convoluted history of The Hum except to say it started in the *Arcata Union* a long, long time ago and now I'm writing for the *Mad River Union* (again). My new editor Lauraine tells me, "This is going to be fun." I hope so, and that you the readers like it too.

Forgive me if I dive right in. The paper hits the street Wednesday, so we'll start with July 6. I'm going to the Arcata Playhouse that evening to hear **The Miscreants**. There's a piece by Janine about them right above, so I won't say much except that I've heard **Ben**, **Scott** and former local **Trevor** in various other bands, so I know this is going to be good. If you like improv music, don't miss this show.

When it's over, I'll be headed over to Richards' Goat for a wild show in the Miniplex. (If you've never been to the Goat, the Miniplex is a separate room that also shows cool movies.) Coincidentally, the invite demands in all caps "DON'T MISS THIS SHOW!" The extra-heavy metal heads **Lord Ellis** and "ball-busting synth pop" band **Blood Gnome** provide local support for **Eldren**, a Denver outfit in town for a few days. Elders notes that they were "Best Psych Rock Band" in last year's Westword Music Awards, put on by a Denver alt weekly. Not sure how this "best of" thing works – hopefully it's not just a social media driven ad sales tool like some of these contests.

If you miss **Eldren's** set at the Goat, you have a couple more chances to hear them. The band plays at Six Rivers



❖ THE HUM  
Bob Doran

Brewery Thursday, July 7, then again on Friday, July 8, as Siren's Song, paired with Eureka's **The Tweeners** who describe themselves as a "rock, folk, jazz, classical, avant pop band that emerged from the blackened ashes of Freemasonry and steam power."

Back to Wednesday, it's **Whomp Whomp** time at the Jam, where the Humboldt Bass Crew presents a showcase for German label SaturateRecords with **Moniker** from Knoxville and Humboldt's own **McG**. Expect gut-rumbling music with a beat and an extra dose of bass.

I don't know much about the show on Thursday, July 7 at the Miniplex, but those in the know in experimental music circles are very excited about the headliner: **Gate** from New Zealand, the *nom de band* of **Michael Morley** from The Dead C. He's on the road with **Gabbie Strong** and **Christopher Reid Martin**, both from Los Angeles. Eureka's **Ghoulhand** adds his own laptop madness.

It's the second Friday in the month which means Arts Arcata (forgive me if I omit the gratuitous punctuation). There's the usual stuff around the Plaza and Main Street – art in shops and music all over – there are details in this paper, but I think I may go to the Creamery District for the grand reopening of **Bang! Bang! Vintage**. Proprietor **Jane Williams-Eichensehr** is more than excited to be a part what she describes as "this fantastic art district full of love and creativity," and I'm excited too. There's a wonderful synergy in the developing Creamery District. Expect music by **DJ Miss Sure Shot** and **Easton**, photo by THE HUM ❖ B2

## Birds & beasts of all sorts at Arts! Arcata

ARCATA MAIN STREET

ARCATA – Arts! Arcata, Arcata Main Street's monthly celebration of visual and performing arts held at locations around town is this Friday, July 8 from 6 to 9 p.m.

**Arcata Artisans** 883 H St. – Ceramic figures by Diane Sonderegger and serigraphs by John Wesa; wine pour benefits the Breast & GYN Health Project.

**Arcata Exchange** 813 H St. – Mixed media by Danielle Orr; music by Dale Wingett; wine pour benefits the Humboldt Historical Society.

**Bang! Bang!** 824 L St., in the Creamery District – Grand re-Opening featuring the art of Chuck Johnson and Erica Davie; music by DJs Miss Sure Shot and Easton; cider tasting by Wrangletown Cider, also snacks and non-alcoholic beverages.

**Bubbles** 1031 H St. – Music by Clean Livin'.

**Fire Arts Center** 520 South G St. – Ceramics by Angela Jones, David Jordan and Fire Arts members.

**Folie Douce** 1551 G St. – Oil paintings by Amy Granfield.

**Garden Gate** 905 H St. – Watercolors by Adrienne Werth; wine pour benefits Planned Parenthood.

**Jacoby's Storehouse Mezzanine Gallery** 791 Eighth St. – Abstract expressionist paintings by Reuben Mayes.

**Jay Brown Art & Design** 791 Eighth St., Ste. 5 – "Driven to Abstraction," 25 buck chuck framed original artworks on paper.

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**MONGOLIA BIRDS** Stokes, Hamer, Kirk and Eads, LLP, in Bayside Road, hosts an exhibit by Susan Mayclin Stephenson.



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**SCI FI PINT AND PIZZA NIGHT** Experience *Rocket Attack U.S.A.* (1961) and other psychotronic weirdness, trailers, short films and strange giveaways **today, July 6** at Arcata Theatre Lounge, 1036 G St. Doors open at 6 p.m. and the main feature starts at 7:30 p.m. In this Cold War anti-commie rouser, the Russians are out to blow up the Big Apple, as American spies attempt to steal the plans for the Russians' space satellite Sputnik. Admission is free with \$5 minimum purchase of food or beverage. Parental guidance is suggested.

**WORLD DANCE PARTY** The Humboldt Folk Dancers host a live music World Dance Party on **Friday, July 8** from 7:45 to 11 p.m. at the Redwood Raks World Dance Studio, 824 L St. in Arcata's Creamery District. The event features an easy dance lesson and an evening of world music played by international band Chubritza and guest musicians. All ages and dance levels are welcome. (707) 496-6734, [humboldtfolkdancers.org](http://humboldtfolkdancers.org)

**STAR WARS FILM & COSTUME CONTEST** The Arcata Theatre Lounge, 1036 G St., holds two screenings of *Star Wars Episode VII – The Force Awakens* (2015) on **Friday, July 8** and **Sunday, July 10**. A costume contest with prizes will precede the film, so dress as your favorite *Star Wars* characters! Friday's box office and doors open at 7:30 p.m. and the film starts at 8 p.m. Sunday's box office and doors open at 5:30 p.m. and the film starts at 6 p.m. Admission is \$5 and the film is rated PG-13.

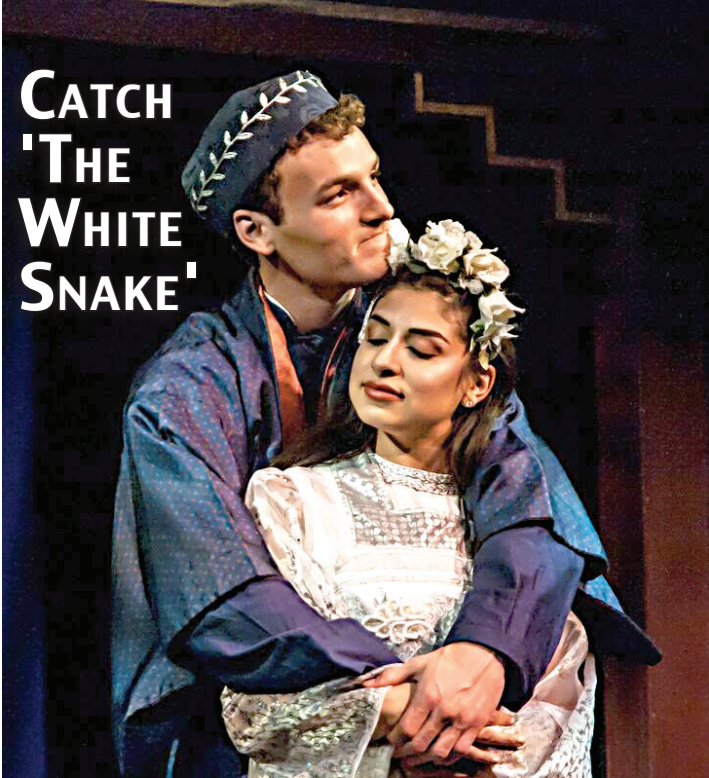
**MAKE AN OWL** Bring the whole family to the Morris Graves Museum of Art, 636 F St., Eureka, for Family Arts Day on **Saturday, July 9** from 2 to 4 p.m. Using modeling clay and paper, families will construct an adorable owl that they can take home that day, inspired by the artwork of Treacy Ziegler now on view at the museum. Family Arts Day is a monthly program on the second Saturday of every month. Museum admission is \$5/\$2 for students and seniors/free for children and members.

**ANNIE & MARY DAY** Blue Lake's annual Annie & Mary Day festival is this **Sunday, July 10** in Perigot Park in Blue Lake. The free all day festival includes a pancake breakfast at Mad River Grange, mountain bike race, the always quirky parade, bocce ball tournament, gymkhana, fire truck rides, carriage rides, petting zoo and car show. There will be local arts and crafts vendors, barbecue by Blackberry Bramble and local microbrews and wine, and music by a roster of Humboldt Folklife Society bands. [sunnybluelake.com](http://sunnybluelake.com)

**TRINIDAD ARTISANS MARKET** Enjoy live music, arts, crafts and barbecue at the Trinidad Artisans Market at Main Street and View Ave. in downtown Trinidad every **Sunday** from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. until Sept. 13.

**AT THE LIGHTHOUSE GRILL** Dee Hemingway performs at the Lighthouse Grill in Saunders Shopping Center, Trinidad, **Sunday, July 10** at 5 p.m.

**THE BENEFITS OF LAUGHTER** The benefits of laughter, along with helpful information on humor and health, will be the theme at the Lifetree Café on **Sunday, July 10** at 7 p.m. The event will include a filmed interview with humorist and general practitioner Dr. Brad Nieder. Known as the Healthy Humorist, Nieder entertains thousands across the country with his medical-related humor. Lifetree Café is a free conversation café with coffee and snacks, located at Campbell Creek Connexion, at the corner of 13th and Union streets in Arcata. (707) 672-2919



**THE WHITE SNAKE** This is your last chance to catch *The White Snake*, a tale of star-crossed lovers Xu Xian (Gino Bloomberg) and White Snake (Ambar Cuevas), above, adapted by Mary Zimmerman from an ancient Chinese myth. *The White Snake* runs at the Ferndale Repertory Theatre, 447 Main St., through Sunday, July 10; Friday's and Saturday's performances are at 8 p.m., and Sunday's at 2 p.m. Tickets are \$16/\$14 for students and seniors (60 and better)/\$5 for children (8 and under). (707) 786-5483, [ferndalerep.org](http://ferndalerep.org).

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### De Rerum Natura (On the Nature of Things) Paul Mann

Do you want to change the world?  
I don't think it can be done.  
Billions of concurrent realities forbid it.  
Distant simultaneous events swell and increase  
as innumerable  
as sand grains and electrons.  
History's unforeseen consequences  
are eternally beyond  
our comprehension.  
Our understanding of the past  
is a pinhead.  
There never was a Golden Age.  
Past is prologue, but we forget it.  
Ancient Alexandria had automatic doors,  
coin-operated machines.  
Classical Athens produced minimalist art,  
aped by Picasso.

We cannot penetrate  
to first causes;  
light transmitted eons ago  
is untraceable among countless stars.  
Such dense veils surround us  
that we know as little about  
what is going on in our own village  
as we do about what is happening  
in Rangoon or Ouagadougou.  
As we sweep the veils away,  
new ones arise sui generis, in profusion.  
Endlessly we create our own veils, too,  
multiplying the mesmerizing shadows to infinity.  
Your unconscious and mine are expanses  
at least the size of a galaxy or two.  
Quo vadis?  
As things arrive, let them come.  
As things depart, let them go.  
This is wisdom,  
be it ever so meager a sliver.

## The Hum | This is already fun

♦ FROM B1

tos by **Chuck Johnson** and **Erica Davie**, cider from a district neighbor **Wrangletown** and vintage fun for all.

Elsewhere in the same building, there's a "Creamery Convergence" where you can "mingle, share, dance and collaborate with other local creative minds," with some sort of visual art and performance planned. Music by **HYPHA**, libations by SCRAP Humboldt. "Creative dress encouraged," they suggest. "Express yourself, and/or rock your favorite color." (Does black count as a color?)

Friday, after Arts Arcata, Humboldt Brews has **Gipsy Moon**, an indie-folk quartet from Nederland, Colo., who are on what they call, "an endless musical journey, sharing songs with the hopes of planting inspiration into the soul, starting a fire in the heart, and building community that invokes love in its wildest manifestations." Tools of choice: mandolin, guitars, banjo, cello and bass.

Meanwhile at the Jam **HouseMF!** = House Must Flow! as in house music by **Release DJ Arts** and **Dub Cowboy**. Note: house is not the same as bass music, but I can't explain how they're different. They just are.

It's that time again, when the Mad River Festival turns into the **Humboldt Folklife Festival**. The kickoff party is Saturday, July 9, at Mad River Brewery with a couple of my favorite bands, **Bayou Swamis** and **The Trouble**. (Has anyone else noticed that Marla's broken foot hasn't slowed her down a bit?) Like most shows at MRB, this starts 6 p.m., so you can be home around dark, or go to some other party.

Other Saturday night parties? **Make Me Laugh!** is at the Plaza Grill. Comedian **Tony Persico** has been doing this funniness contest at other clubs. Basically, he has people from the audience come up and comedians try to make them laugh. They try not to laugh. There are prizes involved. They promise, it's fun.

Still feeling patriotic after the Fourth? At Humboldt Brews Saturday night, **Rag Doll Revue** celebrates "freedom and all things Americana" with **Red, White and Boobs**, an evening of burlesque performers including **Stevie DiLuxe, Jessica Pow, Lulu Fatale, Giggles Pumphrey, Cleveland Slim** and **Jamie Bondage**. Fair warning: There is sexy nudity involved.

The Jam turns into **Club Triangle** Saturday night with **Under Pressure '80s Night**. (Remember when Bowie and Queen joined forces?) They promise "you get to be the star!!!" Here's the deal: choose an '80s hit, email your choice to [ctperform@gmail.com](mailto:ctperform@gmail.com) and come up with "a group routine, solo, dance, lip sync or whatever tickles your fancy!" Other danceable music spun by **DJ Red, DJ Anya** and **DJ Joe-E**.

Sunday in sunny Blue Lake is **Annie & Mary Day**, a festival in Perigot Park and around town. There's lots going on including a bocce ball tournament, a gymkhana, a petting zoo, a car show, bike races, food and drink, and music, music, music by **Timber Ridge Boys, No Pardon, The Spindrifters, JED** and **Secret Club**. **Silver Hammer** caps things off at the Logger Bar with a few Beatles tunes. (The Logger portion starts at 9 p.m.)

Music on a Monday night? Sure. The Jam has **The Bloodhounds**, a rock band from L.A. stopping off on their way north. Genre: "Chuck Berry. Blues. '60s Garage." The night before they play here, they're at the Down Home Record Store; when they play Portland they play "Liquor store." The Arcata show also has "opening and intermission garage rock DJ sets" with "service industry drink specials all night." You get the picture.

Tuesday, July 12, Mad River Brewery Taproom has **The Low Notes**, a cool jazz quartet I haven't heard yet, although I know some of the players. With guitar, keys, bass and drums they offer "jazz standards, not so standards and original compositions," kind of along the lines of Wes Montgomery. Very nice. This is another 6 p.m. gig. Just the thing for a summer evening.

You can read The Hum in the paper or online at [madriverunion.com](http://madriverunion.com), where I'll be posting some bonus content – links to music and videos, the latest digital smellovision (if they ever invent it), photos (I take a lot of them) and other cool stuff. See you next week.

CALENDAR	VENUE	WEDNESDAY, JULY 6	THURSDAY, JULY 7	FRIDAY, JULY 8	SATURDAY, JULY 9	SUNDAY, JULY 10	MONDAY, JULY 11	TUESDAY, JULY 12
	Arcata Theatre Lounge 1036 G St., Arcata	6 p.m. Sci Fi Pint & Pizza Night	6:30 p.m. Ocean Night	8 p.m. • Star Wars: The Force Awakens (2015)		6 p.m. • Star Wars: The Force Awakens (2015)		
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	Humboldt Brews 856 10th St., Arcata			9:30 p.m. Gipsy Moon	9 p.m. Rag Doll Revue	9 p.m. Rag Doll Revue		
	The Jam 915 H St., Arcata	9 p.m. Whomp Whomp	9 p.m. • Thursday Night Bluegrass	9 p.m. HouseMF!	9 p.m. • Under Pressure '80s Dance Party	9 p.m. • Comedy by the Slice	10 p.m. The Bloodhounds	9 p.m. Comedy Night
	Libation 761 Eighth St., Arcata		7 p.m. Claire Bent	6 p.m. Duncan Burgess	7 p.m. RLA Trio			7 p.m. Buddy Reed
	Logger Bar 510 Railroad Ave., Blue Lake	7 p.m. • Cribbage Tournament	9 p.m. Captain Kirk	9 p.m. Kingfoot	9 p.m. Miracle Show	9 p.m. Silver Hammer	all day Free pool	9 p.m. Jim Page
	Mad River Brewing Co. 101 Taylor Way, Blue Lake	6 p.m. Adams Duo	6 p.m. • Blake Ritter & Friends	6 p.m. Frogbite	6 p.m. The Trouble	5 p.m. • Lizzy & the Moonbeams		6 p.m. The Low Notes
	Redwood Curtain Brewery 550 South G St., Arcata				8 p.m. Eirezona Duo		7 p.m. Bingo	
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## Arts! Arcata | Beasts

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Mixed media works by Antoinette Magyar; music by Duncan Burgess.

**Moonrise Herbs** 826 G St. – “Nature,” photographs by Megan Graham; music by Howdy Emerson; wine pour benefits the Companion Animal Foundation.

**Om Shala Yoga** 858 10th St. – “Paper Medicine,” paper cuts/sculptures by Vanessa Marnewecke.

**Plaza** 808 G St. – “Full-Circle and Flow,” watercolors by Marisa Kieselhorst; wine pour benefits the Boys & Girls Club of the Redwoods.

**Plaza Grill** 791 Eighth St. – Photographs by Brian Jobs.

**Plaza View Room** 791 Eighth St. – “Still Life and More,” works on paper by Jay Brown.

**Redwood Curtain Brewing Co.** 550 South G St. – Traditional printmaking by Nicholas Wilson, including wood-block prints, stone lithography and zinc etchings.

**Redwood Yogurt** 1573 G St. – “30 New Works,” by Arcata Arts Institute (AAI) students April Abbott, Brandon Kelsey and Sarah Alexander.

**Robert Goodman's Wine Bar** 937

10th St. – Jerry Lee Wallace.

**Sacred Empire** 853 H St. “Beadwork from Color Tribe Jewelry,” glass beads by Jennifer Balmaceda.

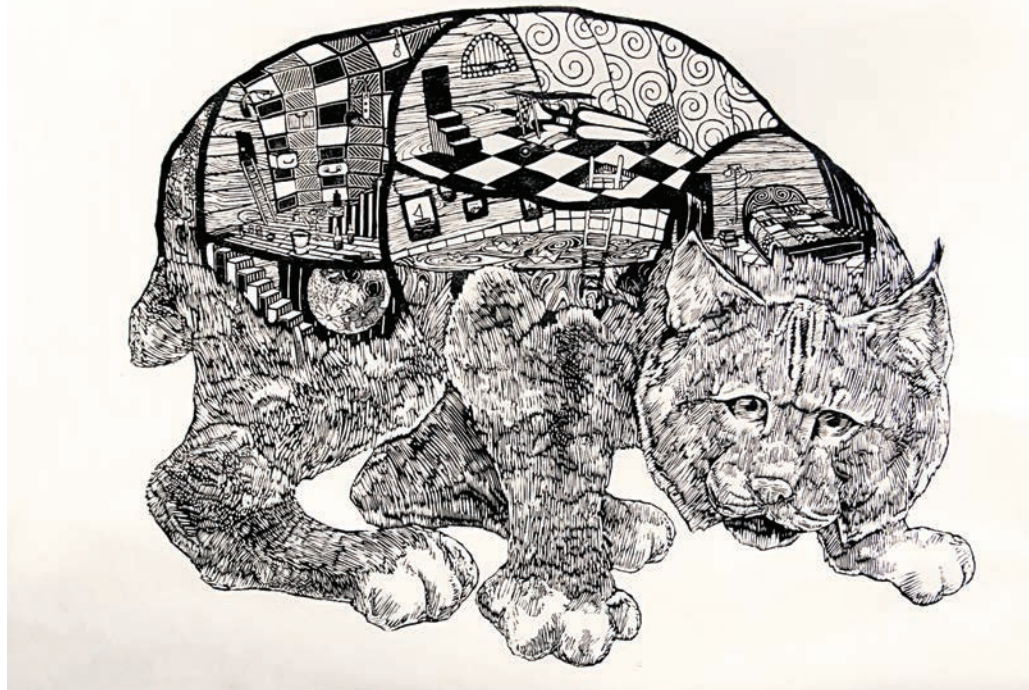
**The Sanctuary** 1301 J St. – “9 Stories” by Patrick Vincent and Lauren Rose Kinney; “Northern California Elegy,” new works by Steuart Pittman; “Picture Out of Doors,” inspired by Kate Ericson and Mel Ziegler's *Picture Out of Doors* from 1988, in which the Sanctuary will unhinge all of the interior doors in the building, encouraging visitors to experience a space without closed doors.

**Stokes, Hamer, Kirk & Eads, LLP** 381 Bayside Rd. – Oil paintings and prints by artist, author and educator Susan Mayclin Stephenson, who also signs her latest book, *No Checkmate: Montessori Chess Lessons for Age 3-9+* [see *Union* June 29, 2016, page B1]; music by Secret Club; wine pour benefits the American Cancer Society—Relay for Life Team #169.

**Upstairs Gallery** 1063 G St. – “Expanded Realities,” mixed media sculpture by Gordon Trump.

**Willow & Rags** 761 Eighth St. – “Art In My Work Boots,” acrylics on canvas by Reuben Theodore Mayes.

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**LYNX** Patrick Vincent and Lauren Rose Kinney show works at the Sanctuary.

## Tons of folksy fun at Folklife fest

### MAD RIVER UNION

**BLUE LAKE** – Dust off your dancing shoes and flex your fingers for the 38th annual Humboldt Folklife Festival, running from Saturday, July 9 through Saturday, July 16 in Sunny Blue Lake. Part of the Mad River Festival, the Folklife fest offers nightly performances, two weekends of free fun and a bevy of workshops.

The fun gets going at the official Festival Kick-Off at Mad River Brewery, 101 Taylor Way, on Saturday, July 9, where starting at 6 p.m., you'll enjoy tunes by the Bayou Swamis and The Trouble. Admission is free.

The following afternoon, Sunday, July 10, you'll find Secret Club, JED, the SpinDrifters, No Pardon and the Timber Ridge Boys playing free in Perigot Park from noon to 5 p.m. in the context of Annie & Mary Day. This is also free.

Kids 12 and under get in free to the Kids Carnival in Dell'Arte's Big Top Tent on Monday, July 11 at 6 p.m. Marciano the Magnificent, the Kinetic Paranormal Society, Asha Nan and more will delight in a show hosted by Lyndsey Battle and friends.

Tuesday, July 12 is Songwriters Night in Dell'Arte's Carlo Theatre at 131 H St. Jan Bramlett hosts and performs along with Jeff Kelley, Tamlyn McDonald and Paul Oliphant. It all starts at 7:30 p.m.; admission is \$8/\$6 for members.

Take in Country Night under the stars in Dell'Arte's Rooney Amphitheatre

### HUMBOLDT FOLKLIFE JULY 16 WORKSHOPS

#### ♦ North Room of the Dell'Arte Building

11 a.m. – “Humboldt Ukulele Group” with Deanna Sanders

noon – “Guitar Travis Picking” with Anna Hamilton

1 p.m. – “Slapping the Upright Bass” with Kevin Johnson

2 p.m. – “Clawhammer Style Banjo” with Kurt Hippen

3 p.m. – “Violin and Fiddle: ‘Seven Steps to the Golden Temple’” with Rob Diggins

4 p.m. – “The Art of Storytelling” with Ali Freedlund

#### ♦ South Room of the Dell'Arte Building

11 a.m. – “Guitar Flat Picking” with Tim Wilson & Marty Dodd

noon – “Mandolin” with Darren Weiss

1 p.m. – “Irish Traditional Songs Sing Along” with Seabury Gould

2 p.m. – “Beatles Sing Along” with Joel Sonenshein

4 p.m. – “Blues Slide Guitar” with Rick Park

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on Wednesday, July 13. Huckleberry Flint, April Moore & Ranch Party and Bill Jones play starting at 6 p.m. Admission is \$10/\$7 for members.

The Amphitheatre is also the venue for Bluegrass Night on Thursday, July 14, when, also starting at 6 p.m., The Compost Mountain Boys, Striped Pig Stringband and Thursday Night Bluegrass Band Perform. Admission is \$10/\$7 for members.

The Striped Pig Stringband is back Friday night, July 15, this time at the Arcata Veterans Hall, 1425 J St., for a Barn Dance called by Lyndsey Battle. Admission is \$5 to \$15 sliding scale.

The festival closes with a bang on Saturday, July 16, with an all-day free festival. Starting at 10:45 a.m., Safari Boots, Fingal, Space Socks, Good Company, Will Willis, Old Soul, For Folk

Sake!, Melanie Barnett and Sam Witlach and Lazy Like May perform on the Special Dell'Arte Street Stage.

In the Dell'Arte Amphitheatre, starting at 11 a.m., you'll find “Sing Me Back Home”: Humboldt's Tribute to Merle Haggard. Performers include The Vanishing Pints, The Yokels, No Good Redwood Ramblers, RLA with Rob Diggins, Rand-Randles-Diggins-Dalmolen, David Isley and Humboldt Highlanders.

You'll also find workshops that day, running from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.; see the schedule above.

Don't forget, the Logger Bar also hosts music nightly at 9 p.m.; see the listings on page B2.

Tickets for events that require them are available at Wildberries Marketplace and at [brownpapertickets.com](http://brownpapertickets.com).

### HUMBOLDT

**ON FILM** *Swiss Army Man*, a dark comedy starring Daniel Radcliffe and Paul Dano that opened nationwide last weekend, features Humboldt County locations according to the Humboldt-Del Norte Film Commissioner, Cassandra Hesseltine. Featured locations include Houda Point, Agate Beach, and various groves in Humboldt Redwoods State Park. “Swiss Army Man shot in the area

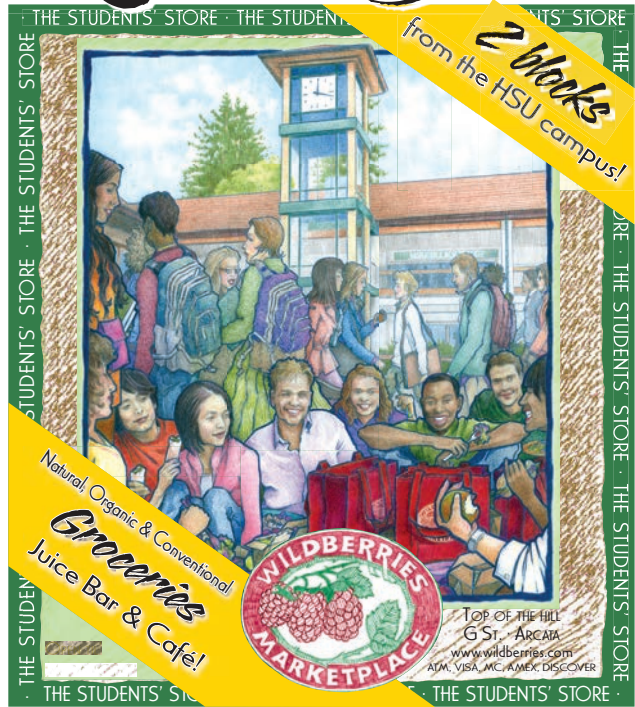


for six days and spent over \$80,000 while filming in the redwood region,” Hesseltine said. To celebrate, the Humboldt-Del Norte Film Commission will be at the Thursday,

July 7 showing at 7 p.m. at the Broadway Cinema, 1223 Broadway St. in Eureka, with one of the large props

from the film. In the movie, a small, wooden sailboat is used as a shelter. The Film Commission will have the original sailboat from the film at the movie theater prior to the showing. Fans are welcome to view the sailboat as well as take selfies with the prop from the movie starting at 6 p.m. The film is rated R. Tickets may be purchased for this showing, as well all others of the film, by visiting [catheatres.com](http://catheatres.com). [filmhumboldtelnorte.org](http://filmhumboldtelnorte.org)

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**LAIRD'S PHOTOGRAPHS AT THE ARCATA MARSH** During the months of July and August, environmental planner Aldaron Laird will display photos he took of Humboldt Bay during more than a year spent walking and kayaking its perimeter. Shows at the Arcata Marsh Interpretive Center featuring local art and photography are sponsored by Friends of the Arcata Marsh (FOAM). The Interpretive Center is located at 569 South G St. in Arcata and is open to the public Tuesday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Saturday and Sunday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Monday between 1 and 5 p.m. FOAM is a nonprofit organization whose mission is "to stimulate understanding of the Arcata Marsh and Wildlife Sanctuary, its relationship with Arcata's integrated wastewater treatment system, the surrounding watersheds and bay, and their link with the earth's water cycle. FOAM is always seeking volunteers to help out staffing the Interpretive Center or to participate in workdays. For more information, find Friends of the Arcata Marsh on Facebook or call (707) 826-2359.



**CELEBRATE THE START OF SUMMER ON THE SAND**  
**SAND SCULPTURE FESTIVAL** Celebrate summer at Friends of the Dunes' 21st annual Sand Sculpture Festival this Saturday, July 9 at the Manila Dunes Recreation Area. It's not too late to grab some friends and some shovels, and show off your sand sculpting skills at this popular event. It's a great way to have fun at the beach while supporting Friends of the Dunes education and conservation programs. Cash prizes will be awarded for Best of Show, Most Imaginative, Best Youth Sculpture for sculptors 12 and under, Most Dedicated Diggers, People's Choice and Friends of the Dunes Staff Pick. Business sponsored teams, like 2015's Team LACO, above, with their sculpture "Fernbridge," will be competing for the coveted Golden Shovel award. Teams can register the day of the event starting at 8 a.m. at the Manila Community Center, 1611 Peninsula Dr. The cost is \$15 for teams up to 6 people, and \$20 for teams of 7 or more. Or register your team in advance at [friendsofthedunes.org](http://friendsofthedunes.org) and receive a \$5 discount. The event is free for spectators; a \$1 to \$10 sliding scale donation is encouraged to support Friends of the dunes education and conservation programs. The best time to view sculptures is from noon to 2 p.m. Snacks and drinks will be for sale at the beach to benefit Redwood Coast Montessori School. Parking is limited, so carpooling is encouraged. Parking shuttles will be available from the Manila Park to the event from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. For more information and a parking shuttle map, visit [friendsofthedunes.org](http://friendsofthedunes.org). SUBMITTED PHOTO

**BIRD THE MARSH** Redwood Region Audubon Society sponsors a free public field trip at the Arcata Marsh and Wildlife Sanctuary on **Saturday, July 9**. Bring your binoculars and have a great morning birding! Meet leader Jude Power in the parking lot at the end of South I Street (Klopp Lake) in Arcata at 8:30 a.m., rain or shine. Trip ends around 11 a.m.

**MARSH WORKDAY** Everyone is welcome to come to the Arcata Marsh and Wildlife Sanctuary on **Saturday, July 9** to root out aggressively invasive spartina grass. Spartina has a nasty habit of crowding out native plant species, which has negative impacts on habitat for native insect and animal species. Meet Friends of the Arcata Marsh and Redwood Coast Action Agency volunteers at the Marsh Interpretive Center parking lot on South G Street at 9 a.m. Tools and refreshments are provided.



**MARSH TOUR** Friends of the Arcata Marsh (FOAM) sponsors a free tour of the Arcata Marsh & Wildlife Sanctuary on **Saturday, July 9** at 2 p.m. Meet leader Barbara Reisman at the Interpretive Center on South G Street for a 90-minute

walk focusing on the history, plants, and ecology of the Marsh. Loaner binoculars available with photo ID. (707) 826-2359

**BIRD HBNWR** Join Redwood Region Audubon Society on **Sunday, July 10** at the Humboldt Bay National Wildlife Refuge. This is a wonderful, two- to three-hour trip for people wanting to learn the birds of the Humboldt Bay area. It takes a leisurely pace with an emphasis on enjoying the birds! Beginners are more than welcome. Meet at the Refuge Visitor Center at 9 a.m. Call Jude Power or David Fix at (707) 822-3613 for more information.

**MAD RIVER BUTTES HIKE** The North Group Sierra Club invites the public to a hike in the Six Rivers National Forest's Mad River Buttes on **Sunday, July 10**. Carpools meet at 9 a.m. at the Ray's Valley West parking area. Explore this beautiful potential wilderness area off Forest Route 1 in this moderately difficult eight-mile hike. Sturdy boots are a must. Return hike is mostly uphill; expect warm temperatures and sun. Bring lunch, a hat and plenty of water. No dogs. For more info, contact leader Ned at (707) 825-3652 or [nedforsyth48@gmail.com](mailto:nedforsyth48@gmail.com).

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**BASEBALL'S KINGS MEET DERBY QUEENS** The Boys of Summer got a special treat Friday when they got to hang out with the women of Humboldt Roller Derby. Below, the Crabs' talented 50/50 staff mugging at Mustache Night. PHOTOS BY MATT FILAR | UNION

## Crabs bring Top Speed down a notch

Kevin Wyart & Erik Fraser  
HUMBOLDT CRABS

ARCATA – You always want to win every series, but when the team coming into town is 22-1, should winning one of three be considered a success?

That's what the Humboldt Crabs achieved over the weekend preceding the Fourth of July, as they returned to the Arcata Ball Park after their only road trip of the year and beat visiting Top Speed Baseball 16-2 in the series opener before dropping the final two contests by scores of 2-0 and 10-2.

In their Friday night victory, the scoring got started in the second inning, with Top Speed taking the first lead of the game. Nick Rao led off with a single and was doubled home by Grant St. Martin. A couple of batters later, catcher Rob Berning laced a single to left-center, giving Top Speed a 2-0 advantage.

That lead wouldn't last however, as Humboldt responded in a huge way in the bottom of the

### CRABS' UPCOMING GAMES

- ❖ **Today, July 6, 7 p.m.**  
Solano Mudcats
- ❖ **Friday, July 8, 7 p.m.**  
Walnut Creek Crawdads
- ❖ **Saturday, July 9, 7 p.m.**  
Walnut Creek Crawdads
- ❖ **Sunday, July 10, 12:30 p.m.**  
Walnut Creek Crawdads
- ❖ **Tuesday, July 12, 7 p.m.**  
Auburn Wildcats

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second. Logan Denholm led off with a single, followed by another single by Nick Warren.

The Crabs would get their first run on a fielding error by Top Speed second baseman Nick Rao on a groundball by Michael Perri. After another single by Logan Busch, David Hamilton hit a scoring fly ball to right field to tie the game.

Brian Pozos would add an RBI single of his own and the next batter, James Outman would land the game's biggest blow, launch-

ing a missile over the right field scoreboard to make it a 6-2 game.

"I don't even want to know what my [batting] average is," Outman said. "I just go up to the plate hoping I can help us strike first in the game, then wanting to make the last strike at the end."

The Crabs would add two more runs in the third and would really put the game out of reach in the sixth. They would send nine batters to the plate, including a two run home run by Pozos and score nine times. Denholm hit an RBI double and Perri would add a two RBI single. The Crabs would get three more in the eighth including a 2 RBI triple by Nick Warren.

For Crabs starting pitcher Jason Alexander, the second inning was a bit of a struggle, but the righty would go on to pitch 6 full innings, allowing only the two second inning runs (one earned) to score. He struck out five, walked one, and only surrendered five hits.

The second game saw some premature fireworks, featur-



ing two ejections and a shouting match that cleared the benches in the eighth inning, but the pyrotechnics failed to spark the Crabs offense, and a solid pitching performance from Aaron Herr was wasted in a 2-0 loss.

In the top of the fourth inning, Grant St. Martin walked with two outs and advanced to second on a wild pitch. With St. Martin at second, Matt Minnick lined a base hit into right field. Logan Busch charged it and instead of trying to throw out the runner at home, he

went to first instead as Minnick took a wide turn and Newt Johnson tagged him for the third out.

It looked possible that Minnick was tagged out at first before St. Martin scored, which would have negated the run. Tyson Fisher came out and emphatically argued with home plate umpire Don Holfacker, who ruled that the run did score. Fisher was promptly ejected and Top Speed took a 1-0 lead. They added another run in the fifth to round out the scoring.

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## Foul balls a'flyin' at Arcata Ball Park

Janine Volkmar  
MAD RIVER UNION

ARCATA – Foul balls are part of the game of baseball. A slight miscalculation by the batter or just a tiny crack of the bat in the wrong place and woooosh! The ball goes flying out of the park to land, who knows where.

At Crabs games, foul balls are a safety issue, especially for little kids. The main reason Crabs fans don't get to keep any baseballs they catch is to discourage children from running after the ball, possibly into the nearby street.

It's true that foul balls are used for batting practice as was mentioned in my article on those awesome security guys (*Mad River Union* June 15, 2016) but not because, as I wrote, the Crabs are on a budget.

"Our fear is that kids will think 'if I chase the ball I get to keep it,' and they will run into the street after it," Ellen Barthman explained. Barthman is treasurer on the Crabs board of directors and a longtime volunteer.

"We're not there to be big meanies," she said. "People misunderstand the purpose of the rule. Our poor security guys have to get the ball back."

A regular assignment for security staff members is to sit on the electrical box behind the first base bleachers.

"We call them 'ball shaggers'," she said. "They hop off and go get the ball. They can hop onto that box without a ladder. Among our security staff, that's a coveted position."

Regular fans know to give the ball back.

"We're looking for the right way to put a little flex into the rule," Barthman said. "For excited kids, it's so fun to catch a foul ball."

One way that kids get a ball now is to have their birthday party at the park. The birthday kid gets a ball signed by all the Crabs players.

Barthman has been on the board of directors since 2002. "My husband Randy and I have been coming to games since the early '80s. That hardly gets us on the map as longtime Crabs fans," she said, laughing.

She works on Crabs projects "pretty much full time" and was especially pleased with this year's Fan Fest.

"The players enjoyed it. That's the first they've seen of Crabs world. They had batting practice and then the kids lined up for autographs."

She thought that it was more comfortable for the players than the traditional dinner. "They are in their element."

Barthman noted that, after the remodel of the fire department across the street, there were new heavy screens



**BALL SHAGGERS** Jesse DeMark, left, and Quinn Rice. PHOTO BY MATT FILAR | UNION

on the windows facing the ballpark.

There have been years of broken windows there in the past.

"But I noticed we have put a big dent on one of the screens," she said.

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**GREAT GRADS!** Eighth grade graduates of Trinidad Elementary were honored at a June 15 ceremony. Above, Helen Herd and Ellen Brown, daughters of George Herd and alumnae of Trinidad Elementary, present the George Herd Memorial Citizenship award to Aunalisa Wanek for her outstanding example of helpfulness, leadership and drive to succeed. Craig Wanek of the Trinidad Lions Club presented class co-salutatorian Jane McCafrey with a \$50 gift card, center, and class valedictorian Aidan Hasselquist, bottom, with a \$100 gift card. Congratulations to all.

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**REDWOOD COAST VILLAGE OPEN MEETING** Redwood Coast Village is a new membership organization, launching in Humboldt County this summer, that will help seniors continue living in their own homes. If you're a senior, or you have seniors in your life that you care for or about, come to an open meeting on **Saturday, July 9** from 1 to 2:30 p.m. at Azalea Hall, 1620 Pickett Rd., McKinleyville to find out more about planned service offerings and how to join. Your input is welcome as the village works to change the experience of aging in Humboldt County for the better. Refreshments will be served, and the meeting is open to all. Volunteers of all ages are the foundation of a village; members offer their skills to help each other, and outside volunteers provide additional assistance as needed. Redwood Coast Village is a program of the Area 1 Agency on Aging. For more information, visit [redwoodcoastvillage.org](http://redwoodcoastvillage.org), find them on Facebook or call (707) 442-3763.

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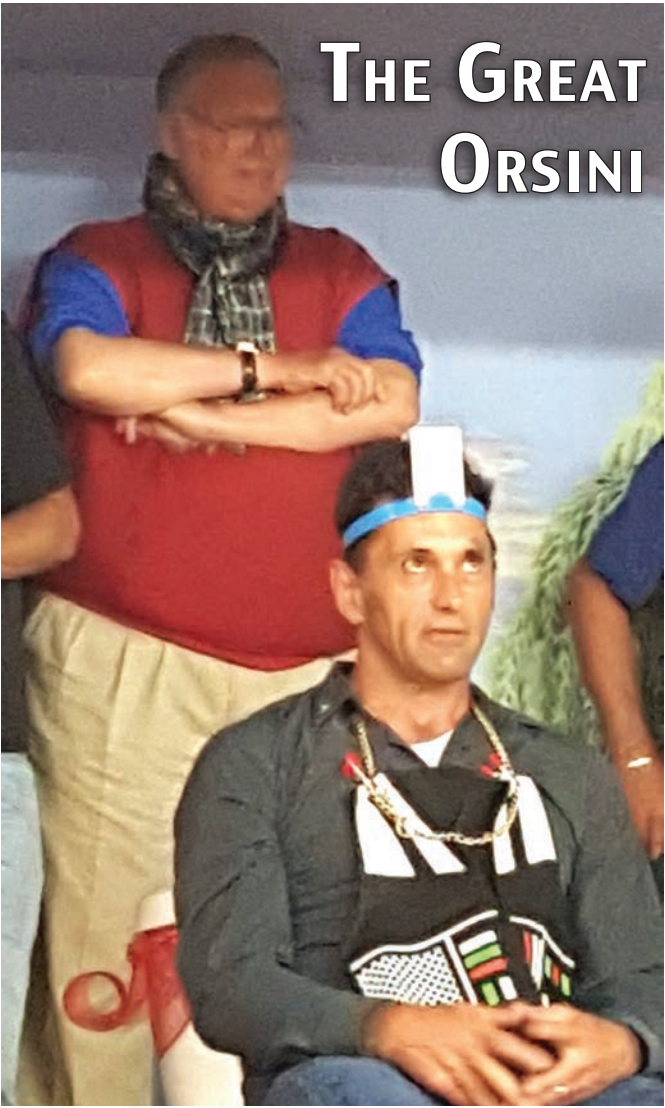
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**DEBUNKED!** Mad River Rotary celebrated the debunking of Greg Orsini's successful year as president of Mad River Rotary at the Dow's Prairie Grange on June 30. Using a card game during the meetings, Orsini raised over 400 percent of the club goal for the Rotary Polio eradication fund and raised over \$10,000 from the members for the Rotary Foundation fund. Above, Carl Ulrich, co-chair of the Clubs Foundation committee, helped poke fun at Orsini in a skit. SUBMITTED PHOTO

A Tug of this, a Dash of that is a recipe for happiness

Recently, Six Rivers Brewery invited Redwood Pals to bring some adoptable dogs over for the afternoon. The star of the show was our long-time friend, Tug.

Tug has been in and out of the shelter and the care of Redwood Pals Rescue several times over the last year and a half, through no fault of his own. We have kept him safe for his previous owner for a long time, but it now appears that a reunion is not going to happen this time around.



Tug is about 6 years old. He is a neutered male Pit Bull Terrier with tan brindle markings on a white coat. Tug loves people and other dogs and does not appear to be particularly interested in cats. He was a big ham at the brewery, rolling on his back and lounging on the hay bales with some of his new friends.

Tug spent several months fostered



with an RPR volunteer last year and completely won over the family. He played well with their large female dog and enjoyed sniffing around the yard while they worked in their garden. His good nature makes him a wonderful Pit Bull ambassador.

Tug has been a good sport through all of his adventures in and out of the shelter; we think it is time for him to find a comfy home where he can stay for the rest of his life. If you think that he might be the dog for you, please contact the Humboldt County Animal Shelter at 980 Lycoming Ave. in McKinleyville. Tug has been microchipped and vaccinated and he's ready to go! More information is available at (707) 840-9132.

Redwood Pals has another handsome fellow available in Dash. Dash is a young adult male, maybe a year, year and a half old. He is a lean white shepherd-type dog that came to the shelter with a female dog that might have been his mom or his sister.

Like many dogs before him, Dash has found the shelter a little scary. He has become very fond of his human friends and loves to get out of the kennel for walks, brushing, or any attention that he can get.

He can be intimidated upon meeting new dogs and his behavior sometimes appears to be a little reactive. We have found that he just doesn't have much experience with canine so-

cial interactions and that when properly introduced, such as by walking together for a short stretch, he is actually very eager to play. He has played well with several of the other dogs he has met, romping and running in the yard once he feels comfortable.



Redwood Pals is committed to helping dogs like this become more confident and therefore more comfortable out in the world. We encourage our foster families to bring their foster dogs to dog socialization class each weekend and provide one-on-one training when it is beneficial.

Dash has been neutered and vaccinated and could be adopted. Alternatively, a foster could help him to get out of the shelter and continue his training and confidence building, which could also lead to an adoption.

If you think that you could help Dash, or another rescue dog, please contact us at Redwood Pals Rescue at [redwoodpalsrescue@gmail.com](mailto:redwoodpalsrescue@gmail.com) or call (707) 839-9692.

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**HUMBOLDT** – The Humboldt County Department of Health & Human Services is reminding people to protect themselves and their animals against ticks. The tiny, spider-like bugs attach themselves onto the skin of people and animals and feed on their blood. While many tick species are not harmful, there are some that transmit disease. Only one tick found locally has the bacterium that causes Lyme disease – the western blacklegged tick.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention offer the following tips to stay tick-free this season:

- Avoid wooded and bushy areas with high grass and leaf litter.
- Walk in the center of trails.
- Use repellents that contain 20 to 30 percent DEET (N, N-diethyl-m-tolamide) on exposed skin and clothing for protection that lasts up to several hours. Parents should apply this product to their children.
- Use products that contain permethrin on clothing. Treat clothing and gear with products containing 0.5 percent permethrin.
- Find and remove ticks from your body.
- Bathe or shower as soon as possible after coming indoors (preferably within two hours) to wash off and more easily find ticks that are crawling on you.
- Conduct a full-body tick check using a hand-held or full-length mirror upon return from tick-infested areas. Parents should check their children under the arms, in and around the ears, inside the navel, behind the knees, between the legs, around the waist and especially in their hair.
- Examine gear and pets. Ticks can ride into the home on clothing and pets, then attach to a person later.

If you find a tick attached to your skin, use fine-tipped tweezers to grasp the tick as close to the skin's surface as possible. Pull upward with steady, even pressure. Do not jerk or twist it. Make sure the entire tick has been removed, including the head. Once the tick has been removed, clean the area and your hands with rubbing alcohol, an iodine scrub or soap and water.

The Public Health Lab offers free tick identification;- For more information, call (707) 268-2179.







# Orick Rodeo celebrates 55 years

Jessie Faulkner  
MAD RIVER UNION

ORICK – This small community – a valley of green bordered by hills to the east, coastal plains to the west and cuddled by Redwood Creek – is a beautiful spot.

Many who scoot through Orick on U.S. Highway 101 likely remember the proliferation of burl shops and little else. This coming weekend is the perfect time to expand that perception and take part in the former timber town's biggest event – the Orick Rodeo.

For 55 years, the community has come together to plan, schedule, organize and promote the California Cowboys Pro Rodeo Association rodeo. For 40 of those years, Orick Chamber of Commerce Secretary Donna Hufford has sung the National Anthem before the rodeo crowds and will do so again this year.

The fun encompasses both Saturday and Sunday. The first of the freshly groomed rodeo grounds dust-kicking is the gymkhana events that begin at 9 a.m. on Saturday, July 9. The events are designed for participants from age 1 to 100. The quad competition begins at 1:30 p.m., as racers make like they're on four-wheeled motorized horses as they try their speed on such rodeo classics as barrel racing and more.

At 3 p.m., it's "rider up!" for all kids in the kids' games, with everything from tug of war to tossing water balloons to the ever-popular animal scramble. One quickly learns that chickens can almost always run faster than children.

There's more fun for the younger set – ages 4 to 7 or under 60 pounds – with the mutton bustin'. Riding a sheep may seem like an easy endeavor, but these kids will tell you that's just not so. That doesn't diminish the enthusiasm for or fun in jumping on the woolly beasts' backs. Those interested in participating must sign up in advance and pay the \$10 entry fee. It doesn't matter if the rider



**COWBOY CAPERS** A rodeo rider dismounts during a previous Orick Rodeo.

PHOTO BY JILL DUFFY

stays on two seconds or makes multiple loops around the arena – each participant receives a T-shirt that says "I rode a wild sheep at the Orick Rodeo." Of course, all the kids wear helmets.

Later that afternoon is calf riding for those at least age 6 and weighing less than 100 pounds.

Then it's rodeo time, kicking off with a parade of skilled and spiffy equestrians with the grand entry. As might be expected, the California Cowboys Professional Rodeo Association event features the staples of professional rodeoing – bull riding, steer riding, calf roping, barrel racing, break-away roping and more. Admission is \$11 for adults, \$6 for children ages 5 to 12.

Barbecue lovers will have simply follow their noses to Orick on Sunday, July 10 for the deep pit beef barbecue beginning at noon. The succulent beef is cooked all night and comes with corn on the cob, baked beans, rolls, desserts and beverages for \$12.

Then the fun begins all over again with the quad competition, mutton bustin', calf riding, steer riding at 2:30 p.m. It's definitely worth the drive.

**DERBY CLOSER** Humboldt Roller Derby's last game of the season is on **Saturday, July 9** at Redwood Acres. Doors open at 5 and game starts at 6 p.m. This game will be a double header. The first game is a shortened expo game featuring HRD Heroes vs. HRD Super Villians. The second game is a full length bout featuring the Humboldt Widow Makers vs. Chico Roller Derby. Tickets are \$12 in advance/\$15 at the door/free for children under 10 and can be purchased locally at Wildberries Marketplace, People's Records, S.T.I.L. and The Works or online through Brown Paper Tickets. A portion of the proceeds will be donated to the Northcoast Children's Services.

**YOGA AT THE MUSEUM** Breathe in beauty during Yoga In The Round, an all-levels yoga class taught in the beautiful and peaceful rotunda of the Morris Graves Museum of Art, 636 F St., Eureka, on **Sunday, July 10**. For less than half the price of most drop-in yoga classes in Humboldt, you get to take this class surrounded by gorgeous pieces of art in a beautifully restored historic building setting. The class, taught by certified yoga instructor Megan Montgomery, runs from noon to 1 p.m., with another scheduled for Sunday, Aug. 14 at noon. Bring a yoga mat and water and wear comfortable clothing. Museum admission is \$5/\$2 for students and seniors/free for children and members.



**MOVE OVER, BURT REYNOLDS** Players Justin Watland, Reed Pfannenstien and Austin Ragsdalere sport some serious 'staches.

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## Crabs | Top Speed scores

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In Sunday's rubber match, Crabs pitchers were able to keep Top Speed off the scoreboard for eight out of nine innings, but allowed 10 runners to cross the plate in the fourth inning in a 10-2 loss. In all, 15 men came to the plate for Top Speed (24-2) in that inning. Top Speed scored 10 runs on six hits, drew four walks and had two batters hit by pitches.

The Crabs (12-10) scored their two runs in the bottom of the seventh inning on a Ryan Reynolds two-run home run. Otherwise, it was the top of the fourth inning that decided the ballgame.

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